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## A NEW ENGLAND IS BEING BORN IN THE UNDERGROUND SHELTERS

### WISHES BRITAIN GOOD LUCK



MR. KENNEDY

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—"I wish you in Britain good luck and peace and quietude as soon as possible."

These were the parting words of the American Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Kennedy, as he left England today by air on the first stage of the return journey to America.

Mr. Kennedy added that he hoped to be back again some day.

## WILLKIE FAVOURS MORE AID TO BRITAIN

CHICAGO, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—"I am in favour of giving more effective aid to Britain than she is now getting from the New Deal," said MR. WENDELL WILLKIE, Republican candidate for the Presidency, in a campaign speech today.

"It is to give that aid, as well as for our own preparedness, that I insist that our industrial machine go into high gear at once. The people of America are anti-Dictators."

### DETESTS ROOSEVELT

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—Nazi Germany "detests the President and is now working for his defeat," declared Mr. Francis Biddle, former United States Ambassador to Poland and now Solicitor-General, in a speech.

"Hitler," said Mr. Biddle, "has watched powder, Enfield rifles and a steady stream of munitions pour from this country into England."

He has seen rapprochement in South America—where he would be dominant—which the President caused and Hitler knows that President Roosevelt stands, and will stand, across his path. Of course, Hitler wants President Roosevelt defeated.

### U.S. REQUISITION SWISS PLANES

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—One hundred and ten pursuit planes and bombers manufactured by Sweden, were requisitioned by the Government on the ground that they were needed for national defence.

The State Department said that the authorities at first attempted to purchase the planes from the Swedish Government, but failed.

### DEATH OF GEN. HARRINGTON

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—General Sir Charles Harrington, former Governor of Gibraltar, died here today.

## British Reaction To Air Raids Discussed

NEW YORK, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—"London is thinking more and more about building a better city and a better State," says the NEW YORK TIMES' London correspondent in discussing British reaction to the air raids.

The correspondent says: "The spirit of reconstruction is in the air. One feels it especially on a quiet day when the people have time to think and look around at the results of modern aerial war."

"They want to reconstruct Britain, not only physically, but politically, socially and morally."

"Everyday there is a growing cry for a statement on what the Government intends to do, at the end of the war, for the people."

"As attendance at the churches proves that spiritual reconstruction is already under way there is tremendous vitality behind the quiet thought of the people. They are slow and hate to change but in spite of themselves they are changing fast."

"Way down underneath new ideas and new plans are stirring. A new England is being born in the underground shelters of this brave England."

**LESS PRECARIOUS**  
LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—The CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER says: "News filtering daily through the censors brings fresh evidence that England's position is growing less and less precarious."

"The time seems not far off, if it has not already arrived when it may be said that the Axis have failed to win the blitzkrieg and now faces a far more difficult task of winning a long war."

"There is a belated but heartening announcement verifying reports that the R.A.F. destroyed the Nazi invading force. There is a shakeup in the High Command of the British Navy. There is a growing account of the British defence system published in the Soviet Army's official organ."

**FASTER PLANES**  
"There is a revelation by the British that they have been hold-

ing in reserve great numbers of new faster fighter and bombing planes. There is knowledge that the British Navy still rules the Mediterranean, and in the Far East, England is strong enough to reopen the Burma Road in defiance of the New Axis alliance with Japan."

"While none of this indicates that England yet has the upper hand, it does justify the feeling that this is not to be a short war on which Berlin and Rome has planned so much hope."

"The wearing down process seems to have begun and in this sort of contest, the British are right at home. To win such a contest, of course, Britain must have more help from this country. We must not let her down."

### REDUCED SCALE

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—Enemy air activity over this country on Tuesday night was on much a reduced scale and except for a few isolated incidents, the attacks ended well before midnight, states the Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique.

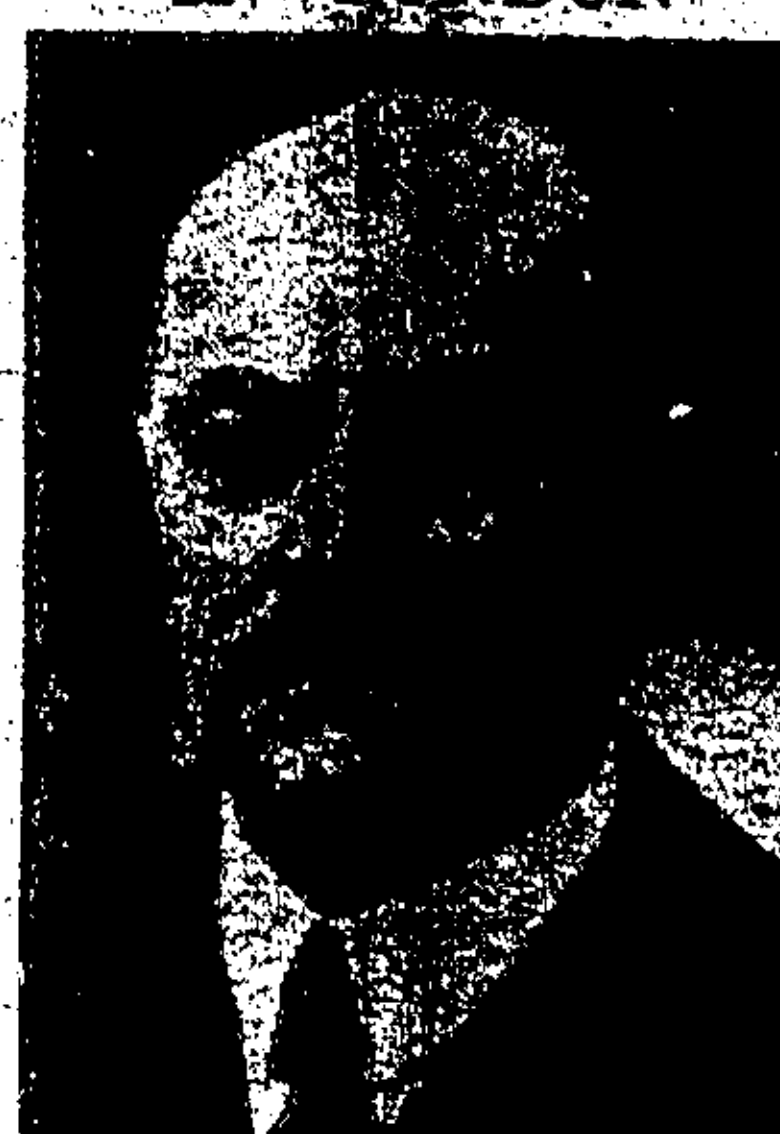
In the Midlands, an attack which lasted about two hours was mainly concentrated on one town. A number of fires were started and houses and other buildings were damaged. Casualties were not numerous, but they include a small number of persons killed.

Bombs were also dropped in the London area, the Home Counties and isolated points in South-West England and South Wales.

Reports indicate that the damage caused was not heavy and the casualties few.

## FATE OF FRANCE DEPENDS ON OUTCOME OF STRUGGLE INSIDE THE VICHY GOVERNMENT

### PIERLOT SPAAK IN LONDON



M. PIERLOT

The Belgian Prime Minister, M. Pierlot, and Foreign Minister, M. Spaak, have arrived in London, according to a news bulletin from Daventry last night.

Both these officials have been trying to reach London for some weeks, but were prevented by circumstances. They were warmly welcomed.

## JAPANESE LEAVING OF THEIR OWN ACCORD

### NO INSTRUCTIONS, SAYS CONSUL IN HONGKONG

Special to the H.K. Daily Press  
WHILE ADMITTING THE FACT THAT JAPANESE NATIONALS WERE LEAVING HONGKONG AND OTHER PARTS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE IN LARGE NUMBERS, Mr. K. Okazaki, Japanese Consul-General in Hongkong, said that they were not doing so on the advice or instructions of the Japanese Government.

**NO INSTRUCTIONS**  
"I have received no such instructions from my Government," he told a representative of the Hongkong Daily Press yesterday, when questioned on the matter, following the announcement that British subjects had been advised by London to leave Japan and all Japanese controlled parts of the Far East.

Mr. Okazaki said that the Japanese evacuating Hongkong were doing so at their own accord because they were uneasy about the situation and future developments. He did not know whether the Japanese Consuls in other Far Eastern parts of the British Empire had received instructions, to advise their nationals to leave, but added that he did not think this likely, as in that case he too would have been so advised.

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## Nature Of Hitler-Laval Talks Not Officially Disclosed

THE FATE OF FRANCE DEPENDS ON THE OUTCOME OF THE STRUGGLE INSIDE THE VICHY GOVERNMENT STATES A SWISS REPORT, BROADCAST FROM DAVENTRY LAST NIGHT.

THE REPORT ADDED THAT MARSHAL PETAIN AND GEN. WEYGAND ARE LIKELY TO REFUSE ANY SETTLEMENT BY USE OF FRENCH ARMS AGAINST GREAT BRITAIN.

The broadcast went on to state that the German official News Agency issued a statement that M. Laval was on his way to Paris and would report to Marshal Petain as soon as he arrived.

No statement has been issued to explain the nature of the Hitler-Laval discussions.

Vichy's collaboration with the Axis Powers was maintained yesterday and major developments appear to be in the wind.

The Germans are using their usual smoke-screen, around the meeting which took place between M. Laval, the Vice-Premier of France, and Herr Hitler yesterday, stated a news bulletin from Daventry last night.

It is even rumoured from Berlin that France is almost certain to join the Axis Powers in the war against Britain and that Belgium and Holland may be given a chance too of joining France in this decision.

**TECHNICALLY ENDED**  
It is also stated from Berlin that the state of war between France and Germany will be technically ended by the new peace terms, part of which provide for the handing over of the French Mediterranean Fleet to Germany.

An American broadcast commenting on this development in Europe, says that if the German move succeeds, it will mean that France will be forced, after a good many years, to become an ally of Germany.

M. Laval was expected to return to Vichy yesterday and prior to his arrival a Berlin report to Vichy claimed that negotiations are now under weigh, as a result of M. Laval's talks with Herr Hitler, to return the French Government to Paris. The negotiations, said the Berlin report, were aimed at stabilising the Franco-German status.

**VICHY WARNED**  
THE DAILY EXPRESS in London warns the Vichy Government and Marshal Petain that there will surely be a revolution in France if they decide to line up their country with Herr Hitler. Vichy should know, declares the paper, that the majority of the French people are overwhelmingly pro-British.

An American broadcast added that latest reports from Europe state that Marshal Petain was about to agree to declaring war against Britain and commented on the fact that the French Government would find a serious obstacle in the underground sabotage which would immediately begin to make itself apparent if the Vichy Government carried out its orders from Berlin.

American broadcasts insist that the fate of the French Navy played a prominent part in the discussions. It is suggested that M. Laval is up to something because of the unwillingness of some of his colleagues to acquiesce in his plans.

### REPORTS DENIED

The same broadcast states that it would be unwise to assume that M. Laval is acting with the complete consent of his colleagues. In the meantime, Vichy itself continues to deny all these reports.

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## DIPLOMATIC SCURRYING ABOUT EUROPE TODAY

### SPECULATION PROHIBITED AS TO RIBBENTROP'S WHEREABOUTS

There is much diplomatic scurrying about Europe today, announced a news bulletin from Daventry last night.

It is rumoured that COUNT CIANO has gone to Berlin to talk over matters in connection with the recent visit to France to meet with Hitler.

GEN. ANTONESCU, the Rumanian Prime Minister, is reported to be going to Rome as also is COUNT TELEKI, the Hungarian Minister of Agriculture, and an important conference in Rome is said to be likely shortly.

Reuter says the New York Times' Berlin correspondent reports that a new order has been issued banning speculation by foreign correspondents, relative to Herr von Ribbentrop's whereabouts.

It is stated that the order will be effective immediately and all speculation concerning Ribbentrop's journeys or their political significance will be prohibited. Violators of this order are liable to a charge of political espionage.

In the opinion of neutral diplomatic quarters, the fact that Hitler is engaged in conversations with Laval seems to show that preliminary negotiations with Vichy indicated that such a meeting could bear fruitful results.

These quarters are of the opinion that a way might then be opened for re-establishment of normal relations with the Axis.

The New York Times says that Clano and Ribbentrop are to confer on co-ordinating diplomatic action in France, but they are not likely to go to Vichy together as they would undoubtedly carry on negotiations separately.

Mr. Butler, Foreign Under-Secretary, replied to a number of questions on the subject of oil supplies to Japan in the House of Commons yesterday, according to a Daventry news bulletin last night.

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## HIS MAJESTY AT FOREIGN OFFICE

His Majesty the King visited the Foreign Office yesterday where he was met by the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, stated a Daventry news bulletin last night.

The King met the heads of the various departments.

## Oil Supplies To Japan

### BUTLER REPLIES TO QUESTIONS

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## TODAY'S WAR SUMMARY

WHILE THE NATURE OF THE DISCUSSIONS between Hitler and Laval have not been disclosed a French Government spokesman denied that Laval had gone to Paris to negotiate a declaration of war by France on England. Another report states that the fate of France depends on the outcome of the struggle inside the Vichy Government where Petain and Weygand are said to be opposed to the use of French arms against Britain. Meanwhile Clano is rumoured to be going to Berlin where a meeting "of some significance" is likely to take place.

GERMAN AIR ACTIVITY OVER BRITAIN ON Tuesday night was on a much reduced scale and ended well before midnight. Damage caused was not heavy and casualties were few.

IN A CAMPAIGN SPEECH, THE REPUBLICAN candidate for Presidency, Mr. Wendell Willkie, favoured more aid to Britain while the former U.S. Ambassador to Poland, Mr. Biddle, in a speech, declared that Hitler knows that Roosevelt stands, and will stand, across his path.

BRITISH REACTIONS TO AIR RAIDS are reflected in an article by the London correspondent of an American newspaper who says that a new England is being born in the underground stations of the brave country.



# In the World of Sports

## TRACK MEETS FEATURE OPENING OF SOFTBALL SEASON

### Recreio "B"—V.R.C. Has Nip-And-Tuck Clash: Liga Register Only Shut-out

The local softball season got away to a flying start last Sunday when Major C. M. Manners, President of the Kowloon Football Club, hurled the first ball in the Cardinals—Wildcats tilt which was the opener of a six game programme on the K.F.C. ground. Six matches on other diamonds were also played, making a total of twelve games decided during the day.

The first division and ladies' matches were disappointingly one-sided and it was left to the second division teams to provide the only really close games on the whole programme.

Displaying a marked superiority in their stickwork, the Wildcats pounded Cardinal hurler, Eregenia Bab'da, for 18 hits to garner 25 tallies while the Redbirds were collecting 8 markers on only 6 safeties off the pitching of Wildcat Thelma Colloca.

Outstanding with the Hickory was Irene Pereira, erst-while skipper of the Ramblettes, in clouting a homer and two doubles in four trips to the plate.

#### CIRCUIT CLOUTERS

Circuit clouts were also registered by Dolly Brown, Gloria and Lily Mar of the winners while Babida replied for the losers. Neither squad displayed mid-season fielding form the Wildcats committing 9 errors to the Redbirds—12.

Another track meet resulted when the Wahos took Chung Hwa by the wide margin of 29 counters to 3. The Green Owls connected for only twelve safeties—just ran up 23 tallies in the first two frames with the aid of opposing hurler Frances Lee who issued 18 passes in 1 2/3 frames before she was yanked in favour of Ella Ching who proved to be much more effective.

#### ONE-SIDED MIX-UP

Even more one-sided than the previous matches was the Baby Panthers-Little Flower Club mix-up, the former reaping 33 runs on but 14 hits against the latter's 3 markers on four safeties.

The Florinths are a bunch of youngsters who are making their first appearance in league competition and starting from scratch have a long way to go before they can hope to match the other pennant contenders.

The Panthers Kittens have been improving year after year and, judging from their sound opening display, should have a very successful season under the energetic management of Cesare Xavier, who has several excellent hitters in L. Xavier, Alex Mendonca, Terry and Celeste Marques who were star performers in this match.

#### RAW RECRUITS

Without Irene Pereira and Margaret Oliveira, their heaviest hitters of past seasons, the Ramblettes fielded a bunch of newcomers under the captaincy of "Ding" Lopez. With so many raw recruits in their ranks, it came as

no surprise when they went down to the Canadian Chinese, current league champions, by the margin of 20 tallies to 6.

Hurling for the Canuckettes, Mary Louie, when she really tried, showed much of the speed and control that carried the squad through to the pennant last season.

#### ACES TOO GOOD

With Herbie Quon in poor form on the mound, the Canadian Chinese boys were no match for the Recreio Aces in the opening Men's match, the Portuguese lads finishing on the long end of a 22-2 count as the Canadian outfielders served up a gardening display that would not have been worthy of second division players.

Zinho Gosano paced the Portuguese batters with three safeties which included two doubles but was held pressed by brothers Eddie and Bertie who each connected twice, the former clouting a triple and the latter a homer.

#### CANUCKS HANDCUFFED

Johnny Alvarez turned in a sound performance on the mound and had the Canucks handcuffed throughout the game with the exception of Ross Mark who tripled and binged in his only two trips to the plate.

The St. Joseph's-Hongkong Baseballers fracas was featured by a rousing six-run rally by the Baseballers in the last frame after trailing 12-3 at the end of the sixth. Commencing shakily, the Club allowed the Saints 7 tallies on six hits in the first stanza and 4 on 5 safeties in the fourth; apart from those two bad patches, the veteran Baseballers showed flashes of brilliance that will make them a potential menace to any team in the competition.

Extra-base hits were at a premium, two-baggers by George Souza and Cotton being the only ones in the hit total of 15 for the winners and 8 for the losers, on which these contestants tallied 12 and 9 respectively.

#### FILIPINOS OUTHIT

Contrary to expectations, the Filipino Club proved to be no match for the Cyclone Sports Club, going down by a final margin of 6 tallies to 16 after being outhit 9 to 14. The Cyclone outfit had much the sounder defence and bobbed but four times to the losers' nine.

All of the Filipino boys nine hits were singles while the Cyclones garnered circuit clouts through A. H. Bakar and K. M. Ramjahn in addition to a two-bagger through young Markar.

Best of the second division games were the Cosmopolitans-Royal Scots and R.E.R.A.F. tilts which were both decided by one run margins, the former match going to the Cosmos 19-18 while the latter went to the R.A.F. by the odd run in 23.

#### FIGHTING RALLY

In the latter fixture, the winners trailed the Sappers 8-11 at the end of the sixth but staged a fighting rally to chalk up the requisite four tallies needed for victory.

South China downed Central British by 15 runs to 8, in a fracas that was marred by loud squawks against the umpiring. (This long standing bugbear of league games is having the attention of the management committee and should be remedied at an early date.

Registering the only shut-out of the day, Liga Portuguesa triumphed over Royal Artillery by 16 clear runs. The Gunners were making their first appearance on the softball diamond and should do

## C.N. Matthews Carries Bat For 124

### INTER-FACULTY MATCH DRAWN

Despite an innings of 208 for the loss of six wickets, to which C. N. Matthews contributed 124 not out, Arts were only able to draw with Medicine's "B" at Pokfulam yesterday afternoon when the first of this year's cricket matches in the Inter-Faculty series was played. Matthews hit 24 boundaries.

The scores:

K. Lo, c. and b. Amplavanah	10
C. N. Matthews, not out	124
A. Ahmed, b. Chelliah	12
Tam Kwong-ye, b. N. Singh	17
E. Mazura, b. N. Singh	0
O. V. Cheung, b. N. Singh	8
B. S. Chowla, b. N. Singh	1
A. Ho, not out	14
Extras (B19, NBI)	20
<b>Total (for 5 wks.)</b>	<b>208</b>

B. Ahmed, G. M. Derkach, and Ho Wing-to did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS			
	O.	M.	R.
Amplavanah	9	—	51
Chelliah	11	—	72
N. Singh	7	—	63

MEDICALS "B"			
	O.	M.	R.
Chelliah, l.b.w. K. Y. Tam	20		
N. Singh, c. Mazura b. Matthews	35		
T. C. Pang, b. K. Lo	31		
Amplavanah, b. K. Y. Tam	28		
L. H. Tan, not out	10		
Gutierrez, c. and b. K. Y. Tam	6		
J. Ho, not out	15		
Extras (B15)	15		
<b>Total (for 5 wks.)</b>	<b>154</b>		

M. S. Khoo, T. B. Teoh, L. H. Tan, J. and G. Schiller did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS			
	O.	M.	R.
K. Y. Tam	8	0	36
K. Lo	7	0	54
C. N. Matthews	4	0	36
O. V. Cheung	3	0	12
E. Mazura	1	0	5

#### I.R.C. JUNIOR TEAM

The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club 2nd XI in a friendly cricket match against Civil Service C.C. on Saturday at Sookunpoo, at 2 p.m.:—A. H. Ismail (Capt.), A. el Arculli, O. el Arculli, T. Hamet, A. Rahman, M. A. Wahab, A. Ebrahim, J. M. A. Ramjahn, F. A. Curreen, M. I. Razack and O. Talip. Scorer—S. E. Bux.

## BRITISH ATHLETE TO RETURN TO CHINA

LONDON, Oct. 18.—Eric Liddell, former British Olympic runner, is leaving soon to resume his missionary duties in North China. This will be his third term of seven years' service abroad. This time he will be stationed at Siao-chang. Since last autumn he has been doing missionary deputation work in the British Isles.

Liddell played Rugby seven times for Scotland as a wing three-quarter in 1922 and 1923. In 1924, at Paris, he put up an Olympic Games 40 metres record time of 47 1/2 seconds.

In 1923 he set up a new A.A.A. 100 yards record with 9 7/10 seconds, and won the furlong. He won the quarter next year. In 1923 he was awarded the C. C. Harvey Memorial Cup for best performances of the year.

much better later on in the season.

#### FLUCTUATING GAME

For six full innings, the Recreio Bees—Victoria Recreation Club clash promised to be a nip-and-tuck affair, the lead fluctuating between both teams with neither squad having more than a one-run margin up to the final stanza, when the Bees came through with a rush to tally five times to give them a 13-9 victory.

The Bees used two hurlers, George Gutierrez, and Wilfred Lawrence in that order while Barandas and Kelly Silva-Netto shared mound duty for the losers. Lawrence gave a promising display and received sound support from his fielders but the others were disappointing, especially Silva-Netto whose pitching was nowhere near his form of last season.

## \$16,100 PAID FOR TWO AUSTRALIAN GRIFFINS

### Good Prices Bid On Second Day Of Jockey Club Sale

Good prices were bid for the batch of Australian griffins offered for sale at the Hongkong Jockey Club Paddock yesterday, one of the eleven ponies fetching \$8,100 and another \$8,000.

The auction was a continuation of that started on Tuesday, of Australian griffins imported by the Hongkong Jockey Club for sale to members. A further batch will be offered today and the final lot will be sold on Friday, sales commencing each day at 5.15 p.m.

At yesterday's sale ponies Nos. 6 years, 14.3 hands, \$2,900; No. 45, and 26 secured the best bids, the Bay gelding by Paolet out of former, a brown mare by Dignus, has the blood of the famous English sire Gainsborough, while its dam, Lady Mecca, is by Paolet, a fashionable Australian sire, whose progeny have fared very well in tropical climates. The mare, looking every inch a thoroughbred, fetched \$8,100.

The next best price was paid for pony No. 23 a bay gelding by Farr, the sire of Far View (triple winner at the 1940 Annual Meeting) and Sapper (holder of the Colony mile record and a winner).

The bidding for this pony started at \$2,000, jumped to \$5,000 and increased therefrom by bids of \$1,000 at a time till eventually knocked down for \$8,000.

#### FULL RESULTS

Following is the full result of yesterday's sale:

No. 2, Bay mare by Trivento out of Cirrus Queen, four years, 14.3 hands, \$1,600; No. 6, Brown mare by Dignus out of Lady Mecca, four years, 14.3 hands, \$8,100; No. 10, Grey gelding by Balkan-King out of Mary Mac, four years, 14.3 hands, \$4,700; No. 15, Chestnut mare by Jim Marsh out of Songster, six years, 14.3 hands, \$2,400; No. 20, Bay mare by Kenilcott out of Lang Frae mare, six years, 14.3 hands, \$3,100; No. 26, Bay gelding by Farr out of Bounty, six years, 14.3 hands, \$8,000; No. 30, Bay mare by Linfaun out of Valtane, five years, 14.3 hands, \$3,100; No. 36, Bay mare by Parsee out of Clever Mary, four years, 14.3 hands, \$2,400; No. 40, Bay mare by Magnesia out of Infidelity, five years, 14.3 hands, \$3,100.

## Black-out Exercises Next Week: 2 Nights

Black-out exercises will take place on the nights of October 29-30 and 30-31.

In these exercises, the black-out will automatically commence at sunset on October 29 and remain in force until sunrise on the morning of October 31.

The Government Black-out Order of 1940 will be strictly enforced from sunset onwards, and the general public should observe the following points:—

From sunset 5.48 p.m. on Oct. 29 to sunrise 6.26 a.m. on Oct. 31.

(a) External lights of every description, both on land and in ships, must not be lit, except the navigation lights referred to in paragraph 4 (b) below; (b) All internal lights must be screened by shutters, dark blinds, dark curtains or otherwise, so that no light, direct or indirect, is visible from above or from any other direction; (c) Lights on all types of road transport must be obscured with two thicknesses of ordinary blue close-woven cloth or paint. The use of headlights on motor vehicles is prohibited; in other lamps the bulb must not exceed 7 watts in power; (d) Torches and naked lights are prohibited, unless screened with two thicknesses of ordinary blue close-woven cloth or paint.

#### 4. SHIPPING

(a) The harbour will be closed to the ingress and egress of shipping, and no movements of shipping or other craft inside the harbour will be permitted, except that a restricted ferry service may be maintained by the Star Ferry between Hongkong and Kowloon, but all lights must be extinguished on board the ferry must not be lit; (b) Light-houses and certain aids to navigation will not be lit, but to assist in the safe navigation of the ferry mentioned in para 4 (a) above, a navigation light may be displayed on the pier both at Kowloon and Hongkong, provided that such light is placed so that it can be seen from above, and that it does not throw any light on to the water.

#### 5. AIR RAID ALARMS

During the black-out, air raid alarm signals will be sounded, and all road traffic must stop and pull into the side of the road, extinguish all lights, and remain thus until the "Raiders raised" signal has been sounded, when they may resume their journeys, provided that their lights are obscured in accordance with the Government Black-out Order of 1940.

#### 6. GENERAL

(a) Movements of traffic throughout the period of the black-out employed by the Naval, Military, Air Force, A.R.P. and Essential Services, will be permitted, but the provisions of the Government Black-out Order must be complied with; (b) Pedestrians should remain in their houses and thereby avoid exposing themselves to the grave risks of personal injury which are inherent during a black-out, and also to accustom themselves to conditions which would be enforced in war time; (c) It should be particularly noted that as far as the general public is concerned, black-out conditions must be observed throughout the whole period of the exercise, and must not be relaxed even if the "Raiders Passed" signal is sounded.

#### TERMINATION OF EXERCISE

The exercise will automatically terminate at sunrise (6.26 a.m.) on Oct. 31, when normal lighting, land and sea traffic movements may be resumed.

## CROSSWORD

NO. 740

ACROSS  
1 Before  
2 What large island of the Dutch East Indies is between Borneo and the Moluccas?  
3 What Portuguese colony on the Canton River is a great gambling resort?  
4 What is the highest mountain in the world?  
5 Indefinite article  
6 Who was the first to fly over both Poles?  
7 Note of the scale  
8 What is the largest river of Italy?  
9 Frozen water  
10 Parch  
11 Acidity  
12 Require  
13 Migrate  
14 Alcoholic beverage  
15 Distinct period of time in history  
16 Reduce  
17 Who was the muse of amatory poetry?  
18 Scraped  
19 with the fore foot  
20 Mexican dish  
21 Characteristic appearance  
22 Japanese rice paste  
23 Preposition  
24 Respite  
25 Repair  
26 Mine entrance

DOWN  
1 A black bird  
2 Facts  
3 Military cap  
4 Sport employing clubs  
5 Young salmon  
6 Loosely woven fabric  
7 What was the name of the 19th and 20th dynasties?  
8 So-be-it  
9 Period  
10 Moham-medan noble  
11 What young dramatist wrote "Golden Boy"?  
12 Babylonian deity  
13 Squander  
14 Canvas shelters  
15 French painter and engraver  
16 Graculites  
17 Deer  
18 Like  
19 Symbol for selenium  
20 Sloth

53 Imitate  
54 Exists  
55 Pertaining to  
56 One of the Great Lakes  
57 Printer's measure  
58 Closest  
59 Sow seeds  
60 Members of an ancient Jewish sect  
61 Slides

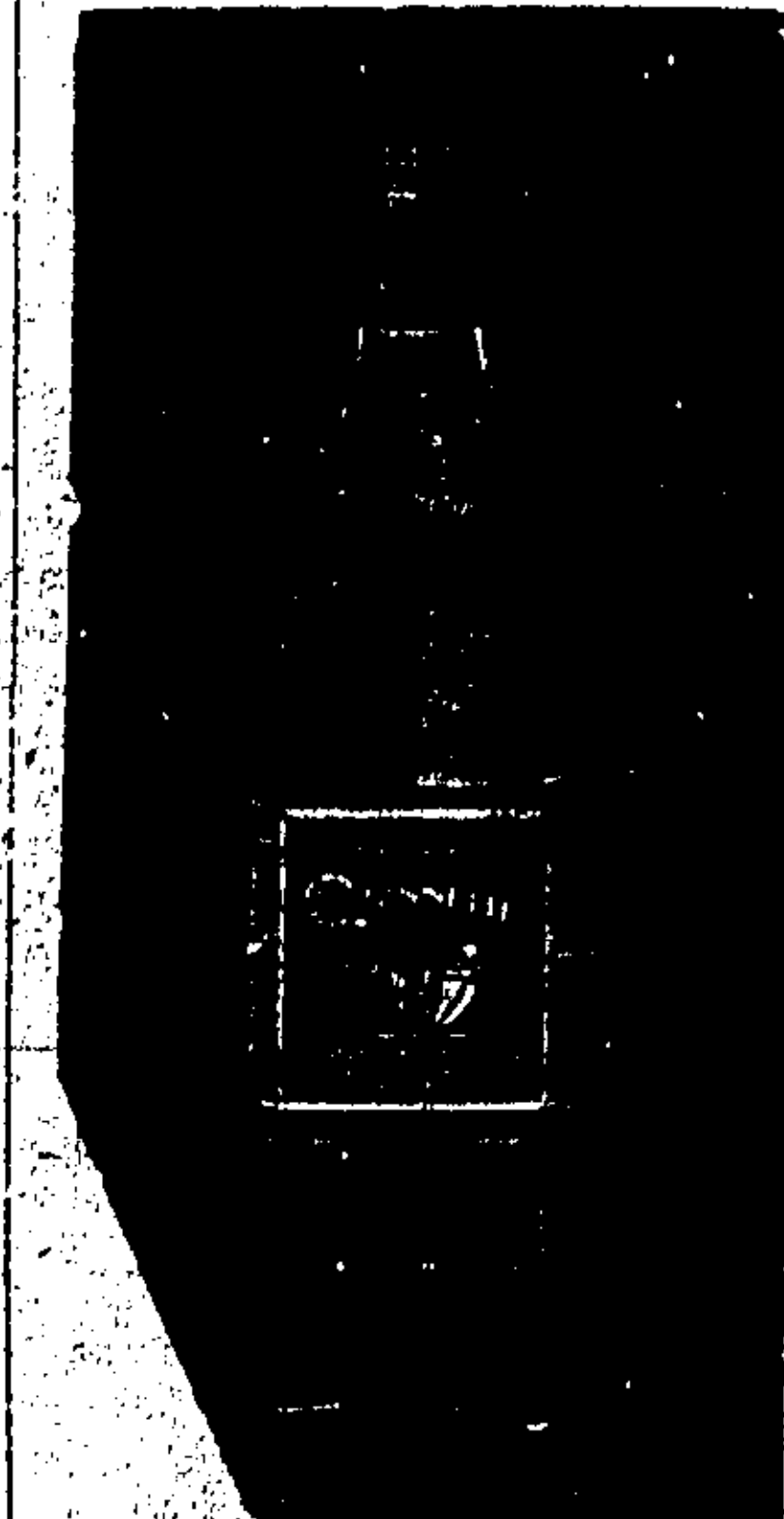
DOWN  
1 At full speed  
2 What fictional detective was created by S. S. Van Dine?  
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Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 24th October, 1940.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

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## ITALIAN WAR VESSEL MEETS NEMESIS IN ATTACK ON BRITISH CONVOY

### WELL-PLACED TORPEDO CLIMAX SPIRITED RED SEA NAVAL SKIRMISH

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—The Italian destroyer Francesco Nullo was forced aground and was blown up by a torpedo fired from His Majesty's destroyer Kimberley in a spirited action in the Red Sea, states an Admiralty communique last night, giving an entirely different complexion to the action as reported by Rome.

During the night of October 20, relates the Admiralty, one of our convoys in the Red Sea was attacked by two Italian destroyers which fired torpedoes at the escorting vessels and shelled the convoy.

Our escorting vessels immediately opened fire on the enemy and gave chase. Contact was temporarily lost but H.M.S. Kimberley, commanded by Lieut.-Comdr. J. S. M. Richardson, R.N., regained touch at daylight and engaged one enemy destroyer identified as the Francesco Nullo.

After an action lasting 40 minutes, the Italian destroyer, having been heavily damaged, ran ashore and was blown up by a torpedo fired by the Kimberley.

**TWO GUNS SILENCED**  
The Kimberley came under the fire of a shore battery of three guns and received one hit, stumps of which damaged a steam pipe and reduced her speed. The Kimberley, however, succeeded in silencing two of the three guns.

In this spirited action the Kimberley sustained three wounded and the next of kin will be informed immediately.

No other ship, either escorting or in convoy, received any damage.

**ITALIAN CLAIMS**  
Although no statement from the Admiralty in regard to the Italian claim to have sunk six vessels in convoy and damaged a cruiser in the Red Sea is yet available, Reuter's Naval correspondent points out that there have been many instances recently of Axis claims to naval victories being completely reversed by facts when the latter become known.

Thus several alleged Italian successes in the Mediterranean have proved to be disastrous episodes for the Italian Navy.

More recently the German claim to have routed a British flotilla near Bristol Channel was shown to have been a fleeting encounter in

which the Germans escaped at full speed to Brest. British pursuers suffering neither damage nor loss.

**HIT ON STERN**

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—An Italian destroyer in the Red Sea was attacked on Monday by Royal Air Force bombers and a direct hit on the vessel's stern was scored.

This was only part of the widespread operations by the British Air Force in the Middle East yesterday, says the Air Ministry communique.

Between Sollum and Bay, low level attacks on enemy working parties were carried out. A number of military vehicles were destroyed by fire and others were severely damaged.

**ASMAR RAIDS**  
Further bombing raids were made on Asmara and Gura in Eritrea when tanks near workshops were hit and buildings were set on fire.

Two raids were made on Bahardar (Lake Tana), aerodrome causing three explosions. At Tessenet direct hits were registered on buildings.

An Italian plane intercepted over the Red Sea by R.A.F. aircraft was chased for 30 miles. The Italian bomber was last seen losing height rapidly and emitting black smoke from its fuselage.

**CAPRONI DOWNED**  
In a recent engagement over the Kenya-Abyssinia frontier, a fighter plane of the South African Air Force shot down an Italian Caproni bomber the crew of which were taken prisoner.

There were a number of enemy planes over Malta on Monday but they fled without attempting to attack when they were intercepted by British fighters.

## Small Scale Air Attacks

### Houses Demolished In S.E. Raids

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—Enemy air attacks on Britain yesterday were on a very small scale, says an Air Ministry communique issued last evening.

A few sporadic raids were made in the morning by single enemy aircraft on several towns on the south-east coast and some damage was done.

In two towns houses were demolished and a few people were killed or injured.

**RAIDERS INTERCEPTED**  
A force of enemy aircraft crossed the coast in the afternoon near Dungeness. They were promptly intercepted by strong forces of our fighters and were unable to penetrate to the London area.

Reports so far received show that in this attack very little damage was done though a few bombs were dropped on a south-east town.

## BRITISH AIR DEFENCE

MOSCOW, Oct. 23 (Central)—The latest issue of the magazine Krasnaya Zvezda contains an article by Major Vedenichev on England's air defence in which he shows that the real weight of the struggle against the German air falls upon British destroyers which are endowed with unusual speed and manoeuvring skill.

England's system of directing its air raid defence is fully centralised and perfected like a machine. This system, which helps reflect immediately every step undertaken by the enemy, has had its effect.

The article notes that the British have paid little heed to small calibre anti-aircraft artillery, which is of enormous significance in air raid defence, but this defect is now being rapidly overcome.

The major said that after August 10 the air war was marked by daily growing activity of German aviation. However, this has not given decisive results. In conclusion, the author said that the result of the latest air battles testifies to the greater efficacy of England's air raid defence.

## AUSTRALIAN POLITICS

### Party Managers Hold Secret Session

CANBERRA, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—The complete overhaul of the Australian War and Home Defence administrations, and an increase in soldiers' pay are among the demands made by the official Labour Party.

They are contained in a letter handed to Mr. R. G. Menzies by Mr. Curtin at the conference of Party managers discussing the proposal for a National Government.

The conference held a secret session in the morning. There was another meeting later to hear Mr. Menzies' reply to Labour's demands.

## LORD LOTHIAN SEES KING

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador to the United States, was received by the King yesterday.

His Majesty also received Mr. Churchill who remained to lunch.

## NO VICE-REGAL STATEMENT

OTTAWA, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—The Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. Mackenzie King, and the Earl of Athlone were engaged in animated conversation as they walked down the platform from the train on which the Governor-General returned from his week-end visit to President and Mrs. Roosevelt at Hyde Park, New York.

It is not the custom that any vice-regal statement should be made but it is understood that the visit was most satisfactory and pleasant in every way.

## GEN. DE GAULLE ENDS TOUR OF CAMEROONS

DUALA, Cameroons, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—General Charles de Gaulle has just concluded a tour of French Equatorial Africa, including the interior of the Cameroons and the Chad region.

At Yaounde, the capital of the Cameroons, and at Fort Lamy, the capital of Chad, and numerous other places which the party visited by plane, General de Gaulle was enthusiastically welcomed by the European and native population, local chiefs often coming from afar to affirm their loyalty.

Perhaps the most moving movement of the whole tour was the meeting at the Governor's Headquarters at Fort Lamy between General de Gaulle and General Georges Catroux, former Governor of Indo-China who came specially from London to assure General de Gaulle of his full support and to bring new evidence of Britain's will and growing power to carry the war to a victorious conclusion.

General Catroux has left for England again and General de Gaulle is back at Duala.

**SOCIALIST DECLARATION**

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—The Socialists of France are convinced that England fights alone to defend the freedom of the entire world against the monstrous attempt to enslave it made by Hitler and Mussolini. They salute with admiration the resistance of the British people and are convinced that in this they are at one with almost the entire French population.

This declaration is made in a manifesto recently drawn up, in unoccupied French territory by members of the French Socialist Party, which has just "reached here."

## U.S. ENVOY LEAVES

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, United States Ambassador in London, left for Lisbon yesterday. From there he will take the Clipper for America.

In a farewell message just as he was leaving the Embassy, he said: "I would like to tell them over there how it is here. I have been through it all and have the greatest admiration for Londoners."

One of the Ambassador's last acts before leaving was the inspection of a parade of the local mounted branch of the Home Guard in the grounds of his country house, where he was heartily cheered.

Another evidence that his admiration for the British is reciprocated is revealed in an article by the well-known political writer, Mr. Beverley Baxter.

Mr. Baxter, commenting on Mr. Kennedy's work on behalf of Anglo-American friendship, says that when the Ambassador arrived with his charming wife and large family, he captured the imagination of the British public. Everything he said and did enhanced the affection of those of us who knew him and the esteem of the whole nation.

**POPULARITY SLUMPED**  
After the war began and Mr. Kennedy went home, he did not play the role we had perhaps rather foolishly expected. He steadfastly remained an American Ambassador instead of becoming a British one. The result was that his popularity underwent a slump, but to his eternal credit he did not become embittered.

Now, for no other reason than true recognition of his character, his popularity has come back. It has nothing to do with his family, his golf or his smile. It is more solid and enduring. He has earned the respect due to a great American Ambassador who never for a moment mistook the country to which he was accredited for the country of his birth.

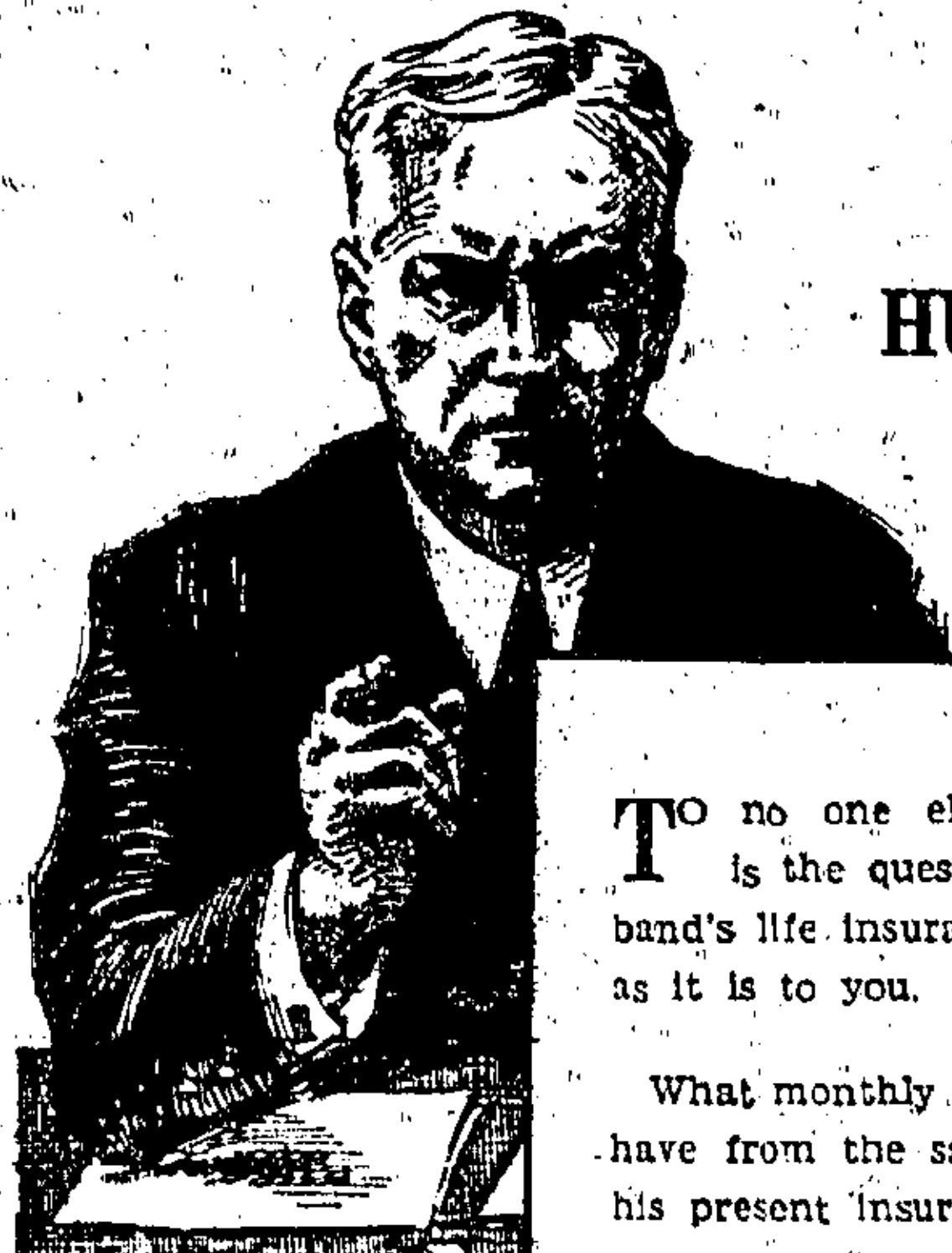
## ENEMY VESSEL BOMBED

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—An enemy merchant vessel of nearly 2,000 tons was successfully bombed three miles off Hook of Holland by a R.A.F. plane this afternoon.

After sighting the enemy vessel, the British bomber dived through the clouds and dropped a stick of high explosive bombs from a height of 900 feet, scoring a direct hit on the bow of the vessel, announces the Air Ministry.

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## GERMAN CONVOY ATTACKED

### Ships Almost Lifted Out Of Water

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—How a German convoy in the Channel was thrown into confusion by a British bomber on Monday is told by the Air Ministry new service.

It says that the bomber sighted, four miles off Dunkirk, a convoy of 12 to 15 armed cargo vessels, escorted by E-boats and travelling in line astern in two ranks.

The ships opened fire on the aircraft, but the pilot succeeded in making good a steady run and dropped his bombs well in among the convoys.

**HEELED OVER**

Two vessels in each rank were almost lifted out of the water by the bursting bombs and when the pilot turned to observe the result of his bombing, one vessel had heeled right over on its beam end.

As the bomber came away, the pilot strafed and disorganised the convoy with machine-gun fire.

## CANADIAN NAVY STRENGTHENED

OTTAWA, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—Six more large steam-driven minesweepers, costing £120,000 each, have been ordered for the Royal Canadian Navy, says the Canadian Minister of Munitions, Mr. C. D. Howe.

This brings the number of vessels in Canada's major ship-building programme to 98, involving more than £12,000,000 and consisting of 34 minesweepers for the Canadian Navy, ten corvettes for the Royal Navy and 54 corvettes for the Canadian Navy.

A very substantial proportion of these 98 ships will have been launched before the end of this year.

## USUAL NAZI FANTASY

### AIR RAID DAMAGE IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—The claim that numerous new fires were started in London on Monday night was made in yesterday's German High Command communique.

It states that bombers attacked Liverpool and other armaments plants were destroyed. Hangars and plants on the ground were said to have been destroyed by bomb attacks on aerodromes and troops' camps. Damage to oil depots and port installations were also claimed.

The communique alleges that 3,000 tons of merchant ships in a convoy off the east coast were badly damaged.

The minelaying of British harbours continued as well as the shelling of Dover.

The communique adds that several bombs were dropped in British raids on Germany on Monday night without military damage. It claims that two British and two German planes are missing.

## Hitler Reported To Be In France

BERLIN, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—Hitler received M. Laval, the French Vice Premier yesterday, according to the German Wireless. Herr von Ribbentrop was present at the interview.

Hitler is at present somewhere in France where he received M. Laval, the German Wireless announced later but the actual meeting place was not revealed.

VICHY, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—General Weygand flew to Fex on Monday to review troops of the local garrison, states the Vichy Radio.



"We agree—blast all wing forwards who always leave the real work to chaps like you, BUT—you've pinched our mug!"



## MINE INSPECTOR WHO TOOK LAW INTO OWN HANDS SENT TO GAOL

"I REGARD THIS AS A BAD CASE. YOU HAVE NOT HESITATED TO TAKE THE LAW INTO YOUR OWN HANDS AND UP TO NOW I HAVEN'T HEARD YOU SAY YOU ARE SORRY. I want to say very clearly and emphatically, not only for your good, but for the good of other mine inspectors, that you have no right whatsoever, unless you have clear proof of larceny, to arrest or interfere with the free movement of anyone."

"It is a shocking commentary on the management of your company that nobody seemed to be shocked at this illegal detention. The man you had chosen as your victim had a spleen four times the normal size and might have died from any blow, even a trivial one."

"Ordinarily, an accused gets away with a light sentence under such circumstances, but in your case I am going to give you just double the sentence I normally pass in such cases."

### MAJORITY VERDICT

These observations were made by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday when he imposed sentences of six months' hard labour on Chu Lok, mine inspector employed by the Hing Kee Mining Company, Needle Hill, when he was found guilty by a 5-2 verdict on a charge of the manslaughter of Cheung Hoi in a wolfman mine in Shingmun, New Territories, on Aug. 16.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, assisted by Det.-Insp. L. R. Whant, while Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, was for the defence.

The jury comprised Messrs. S. H. Ross (foreman), J. Poon, Kwan Mok-chung, Pak Shing-kwok, A. Zimmerman, B. J. Israel and H. Bullock.

### ACCUSED OF THEFT

The deceased and another man went to visit their friend Ng Yau who was working in the mine. At the close of the day, Ng Yau left the mine without informing them and about an hour later the two were arrested by the mine inspectors and were accused of stealing wolfram ore.

The accused was stated to have assaulted the two men and when they were released, Cheung Hoi collapsed and died a short distance from the office of the mining company. The cause of death was rupture of the spleen.

## FUNERAL OF MR. SZETO CHUNG

The funeral of Mr. Szeto Chung, a Corps Superintendent in the St. John's Ambulance Brigade, who died yesterday morning at the age of 49 at the Queen Mary Hospital after a long illness, took place at the Chinese Christian Cemetery yesterday afternoon.

The chief mourners were his wife, four sons and a daughter. At the time of his death Mr. Chung was in the employ of the Hongkong Club as Librarian.

The funeral was well attended and many members of the St. John's Ambulance Corps were present at the graveside.

Wreaths were sent by: E. M. Raymond, Mrs. A. H. Abbas and family, Dr. Sin Lok-sang, Dr. Ho Ko-chun, Leung Tin-sang, Tam Tak-kwong, Sung An-ching, St. John's Ambulance Brigade, Directors of Mei Wah Middle School, S.J.A.B. West District Division, S.J.A.B. Shumshuipo Division, Officers and Men of H.K. Tramways Division S.J.A.B., Women Ambulance Corps of the King's College, Officers, Men and Nurses of Wanchai Division S.J.A.B., Officers and members of Chinese Athletic Association Division, Hongkong English Forum, South China A.A. Ambulance and Nursing Division S.J.A.B., Lady Surgeons and Lady Corps Officers, Eastern Division S.J.A.B., Chinese Y.M.C.A. Corps, Hop Yat Church and many others.

### BALL IN AID OF FARMERS

The Shumshuipo Rural Welfare Centre is having an informal tea party at the Gloucester Hotel, eighth floor, at 8 p.m. today. An invitation has been issued to the leaders who are participating in the organisation of a charity ball which the Centre will sponsor in aid of refugee farmers from the Shumshuipo area.

The ball is planned for Nov. 23 at the Peninsula Hotel from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Several well-known local artists have already given their consent to take part in the Cabaret.

## No Power To Order Return Of Goods Or Their Value

### JUDGMENT FOR DEFENDANT

Holding that "there is no power to order the return of the goods or their value," Mr. K. M. A. Barnett, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, delivered written judgment in favour of the defendant, Yeung Sau-hung.

The case was an application made by Mr. W. A. Mackinlay, on behalf of Chau Sau-yin, for the return of six cases of tin foil which was stolen from him on Aug. 2.

Yeung was defended by Mr. M. A. Silva.

### THE JUDGMENT

The judgment was as follows:—

Mr. Mackinlay applied for an order that six cases of tin foil stolen from his client by one Chau Sau-yin on Aug. 2 be returned to him. Chau pleaded guilty to the charge of larceny of the tin foil on Aug. 28 and was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

Thereupon the property in the goods reverted to Mr. Mackinlay's client by virtue of the sale of Goods Ordinance. Evidence was heard in the associated case of Rex v. Yeung Sau-hung (who was acquitted of receiving the goods) regarding the disposal of the goods. It appeared that part of them remained in the possession of Yeung and part (five cases) had been disposed of to the Sheung Fat firm. Against these two, therefore, Mr. Mackinlay applied for an order of restitution under Sec. 66 of the Larceny Ordinance.

Regarding the five cases that were sold to the Sheung Fat firm, it has been shown to my satisfaction that at the time of Chau's conviction the firm no longer had possession of these goods, therefore it is not in my power to make an order against that firm.

### NO QUESTION

Regarding the one case that remained in the possession of Yeung, had this application been made immediately on the conviction of Chau there would have been no question but that an order of restitution could properly be made. Since then, however, the property has been returned to Yeung, who deals in this kind of goods as part of his ordinary business, and it appears that (even if the tin foil is still in his possession) it would be impossible to identify this tin foil and to separate it out from all the other tin foil and joss paper in Yeung's stock.

The Court, in making an order of restitution, would run the risk of ordering that which could not be performed, or at least of ordering that whose performance could not be enforced. There is no power to order the return of "the goods or their value."

Therefore this is clearly a case of "difficulty or complication" in which, according to Archbold, "it is usual to refuse an order and leave the prosecutor to his other legal remedies."

## SHAI COUNCIL INCREASE HIGH COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCES

The Shanghai Municipal Council has decided that the Temporary High Cost of Living Allowance of 65 per cent. of monthly pay exclusive of assessed allowances, with a minimum allowance of \$10 per mensem, which came into effect from May 1, 1940, be increased to 85 per cent. with a minimum allowance of \$20 per mensem with effect from October 1, 1940. The estimated cost of the increase in a full year is approximately two million dollars. The basic price on which Rice Allowance to the Chinese Staff is computed will be raised from \$42 per picul to \$47 per picul effective from the same date.

## Snake-Hunting For Profit: Chinese Restaurants Pay Good Money For Them

Special to the Hongkong Daily Press.

SNAKES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, IN MACAO, AND IN SECTIONS OF KWANGTUNG AND KWANGSI PROVINCES that may be reached from here by an open trade route are about to begin experiencing their most uncomfortable time of the year.

That is when brave village youths, not-too-timid youngsters and all the elders who feel fit yet for the sport start on their seasonal snake-hunting expeditions. Snakes are caught for profit, and are shipped to centres where the better-class Chinese restaurants pay good money for them.

The particular type of Sep-tightwad who is a party to a business deal. But "Sam Sse" should be eaten in the best restaurants. The reason is that a good cook is a prime necessity. The chef who leaves a chip of bone in the carcass he throws in the pot is signing the death warrant for all present. So runs the belief. The bones of these snakes are, it is said, poisonous.

### TWO BROTHERS

The latter wine, downed by the flagon if served only in small cups, is often suspected by foreigners of having something to do with crab-apple. It is red in colour, but is as much different from Oporto as gin is from beer.

However, "Sam Sse" consists not only of Kam Kwok Tai, but includes specimens of two brothers, Ku Shiu Yung, otherwise the tree snake, and Paan Chan Tau, otherwise the spoonhead. Kwangsi is the main hunting ground for these snakes, and they are shipped to Hongkong yearly by the thousands.

For a proper spread for his guests, with no par set on generosity, a local Chinese taipan will have some 60 or 70 of the squirrels slit open with a knife, this be done only by a good cook, and all present will enjoy themselves to the limit.

### SOME REASONS

There are a number of good and legitimate reasons why one should partake of "Sam Sse." For one thing, it warms you up. For another, it insures one against analysis and saves one from the evils of rheumatism. Then also, it lightens the heart of the biggest

### SYRENS TEST

The Director of Air Raid Precautions announces that air raid sirens in Hongkong and on the mainland, will be tested between 10 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 24, 1940.

## Clipper Not Due Until Monday

### H.K.-RANGOON MAIL SERVICE

Pan American Airways HONOLULU CLIPPER, with U.S. mails for Hongkong, dated Oct. 18, which was originally due to arrive in the Colony last Tuesday, has again been delayed and is now due at Kai Tak on Monday afternoon from Manila.

The Honolulu Clipper will take off on her return flight to San Francisco via Manila on Tuesday morning, Oct. 29.

There has been another alteration to the Clipper schedule. The China Clipper which was due on Tuesday next, Oct. 29, will not arrive in Hongkong and is replaced by the Philippine Clipper, which is now due to arrive here on Thursday, Oct. 31 and to leave on Nov. 1.

### H.K.-RANGOON SERVICE

An experimental air mail service between Hongkong and Rangoon will be introduced this week-end by Imperial Airways, which recently suspended their service from the Colony owing to the situation in Indo-China.

The mail by this service will close on Friday evening and will leave Kai Tak on Saturday morning. This service will, it is expected, catch up the mail sent to Singapore on Monday by sea for connexion with British Overseas Airways.

The rates for all destinations by this experimental service, which will be continued once a week in both directions, will be \$1.50 per half-ounce for letters, which is 35 cents more than the other route. At Rangoon, the service will connect with British Overseas Airways.

## SAID TO HAVE BEEN ENTICED

Believed to have been enticed, four Chinese girls, between the ages of 13 and 15, are reported to have left their homes taking with them their personal belongings and money belonging to their parents.

One of the girls left a letter stating that she was going to Macao where a friend had found her a job.

## POSSESSION OF FORGED NOTES

### WOMAN ACQUITTED

Arrested by a Chinese revenue officer at the Macao steamship wharf with 200 forged \$10 banknotes of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China on her person, a young woman named Wong Wun-lan, alias Wong Wai-lan, was charged before Mr. Justice Williams at the Criminal Sessions yesterday with the unlawful possession of the banknotes. She was found not guilty by a majority verdict of 5-2 and was discharged.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, was in charge of the prosecution, assisted by Sub-Inspector C. H. Goodwin. The jury comprising Messrs. A. Howarth (foreman), F. A. Hill, D. W. Hardwick, To Shing-chung, Yau Cheung-lau, Ng Kam-man and Lee Kuang-cho.

### JURORS DISCHARGED

Three other jurors who had been called were asked to stand down, as remarked Mr. Justice Williams, being employees of local banks, they should not, in fairness to the accused, serve on the jury.

### PROSECUTION'S CASE

According to the prosecution, a Chinese revenue officer was assigned to the Wing Lok Wharf for the purposes of searching for dutiable tobacco on arrival of a Macao boat.

On the morning of September 10, when the Macao steamer arrived, the accused, was seen coming off the vessel. As she was approaching the revenue officer, she hesitated and when asked, replied that she had no tobacco on her.

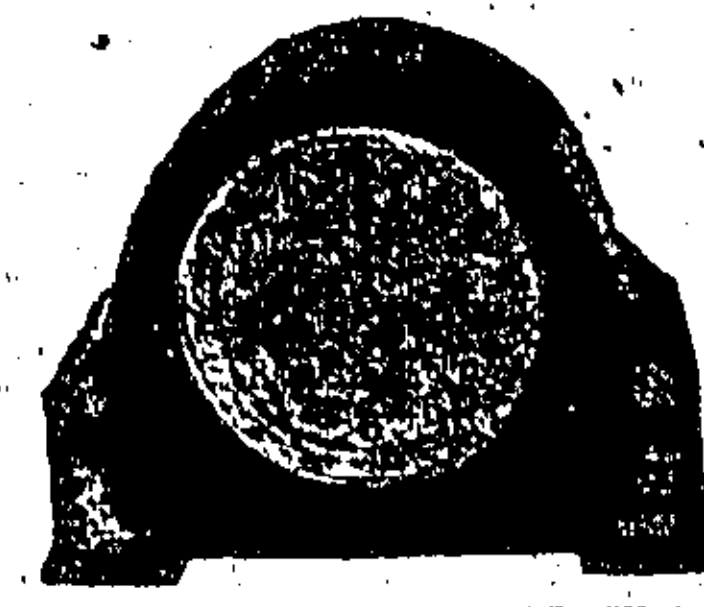
She was, however, taken to the Imports and Exports Department where she was searched by a female searcher who found two parcels tucked inside the folds of accused's trousers. The contents of the parcels, as revealed, were 100 forged \$10 banknotes of the Chartered Bank.

### THOUGHT SMUGGLING TOBACCO

Admitting that she had the two parcels on her person, the accused, however, denied guilty knowledge. She told the Court that she was travelling on the steamer and the two parcels were given to her to carry by a friend. She was

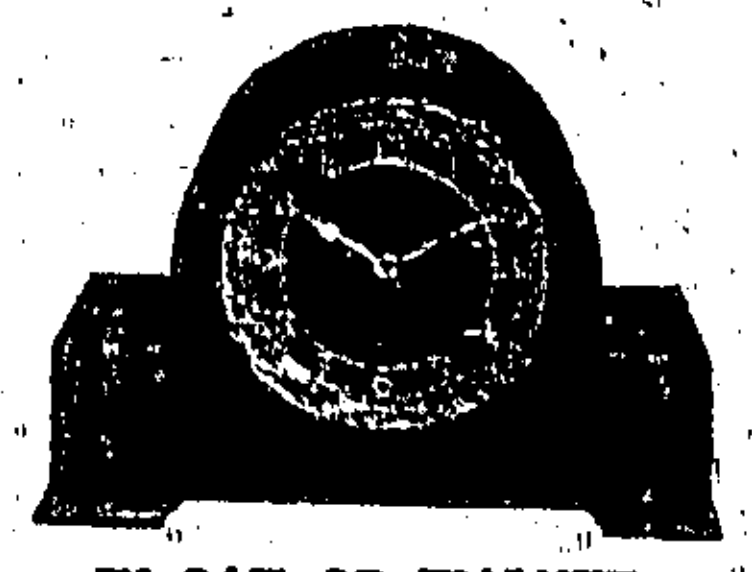
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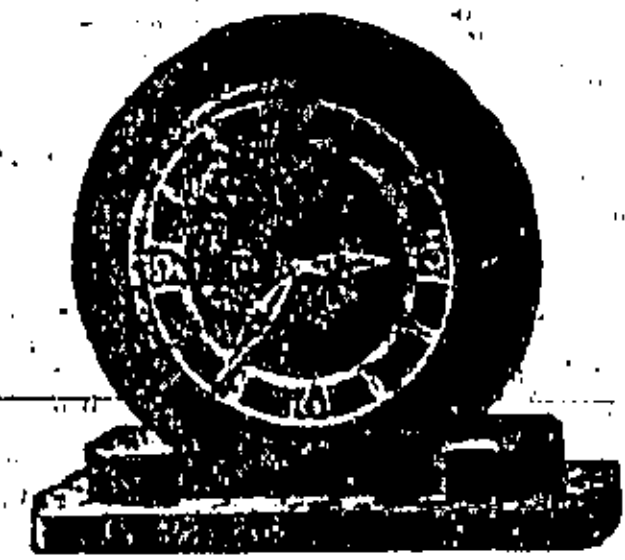
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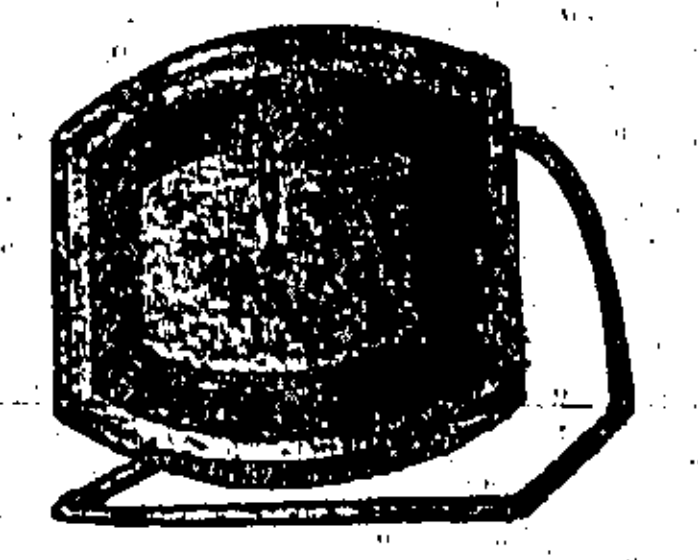
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## DAILY HEALTH RETURNS

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended midnight on Oct. 22:—

Cholera, three cases; enteric fever, six cases; one case of measles; cerebro-spinal fever, three cases; dysentery, 10 cases; and tuberculosis, 35 cases.

under the impression that the packages were tobacco. She admitted that it was illegal to carry dutiable tobacco, but she said she did not know the parcels contained forged banknotes.

### "VERY LUCKY"

Discharging the accused, Mr. Justice Williams said "The jury found you not guilty. You may consider yourself very lucky."

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## HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB

The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Cricket Club will be held in the Pavilion, on Monday, 28th October, 1940 at 5.30 p.m.

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## Forthcoming Weddings

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:

Mr. Tsze Leung-ming, student, residing at No. 98, Fook Wah Street, and Miss Cheung Kam-shan, student, of No. 179, Pelho Street.

Mr. Charles Tam, clerk of the General Post Office, and Miss Law Gee-wan, residing at No. 202, Fa Yuen Street.

Mr. Mak Yue-hing, staff of Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and Miss Au Yeung Sau yee, residing at No. 16, Luen Fat Street.

## CUSTOMS MAN KILLED

A Chinese Maritime Customs party returning from patrol over the border near Shataukok on Tuesday night was engaged in a gun duel by a band of smugglers. An officer, Ho Yau, was killed in the encounter.

The party consisted of three Chinese officers who, on observing a group of men, called on them to halt. The men fired on the Customs officers killing one and wounding another. A Customs launch, which arrived, threw its searchlight on the area at which the smugglers fled.

## H.K. FRENCHMEN THANK PREMIER

The following telegram has been sent by M. A.A.C. Morant, Vice-President of "France Libre," to General De Gaulle, London: "The Committee of 'France Libre' begs General De Gaulle to express their high enthusiasm to Premier Winston Churchill for his radio address to the French of France."

"The Committee does not doubt that the compatriots will understand that we must all go on fighting with England till final victory."

A Chinese male, armed with a pistol, which was later found to be a toy one, walked into a shop at No. 105, Connaught Road West and held up its manager, Siu Shuk-lin. The man demanded \$300 from Siu who gave over the money. The man was later arrested by the Police and all the money was recovered.

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## BRITAIN'S RISING WAR COSTS

THOSE who are prone to regard the high cost of the war to Britain with critical astonishment and disfavor fail to see behind this huge expenditure of nearly £10,000,000 a day the surest signs of British financial strength. The Chancellor of the Exchequer recently explained that, while this almost astronomical figure appeared to imply a tremendous strain on the national resources of the country, strenuous steps had been taken by the Government to prevent resort to inflation and thus far these efforts had been highly successful. Financial and economic experts in Britain are agreed that the prevention of inflation must inevitably have a beneficial effect on the country's spending power, and at the same time, reduce the strain imposed on its national resources. Evidence of this is found in the fact that the standard of living in Britain has not been lowered and in the support which has been forthcoming from all sections of the British public for the system of compulsory saving advocated by the Government.

IN A RECENT BROADCAST talk from Daventry, Mr. J. M. Keynes, a noted economist, who has in the past been one of the severest critics of Britain's financial policies, took the cheerful view that, after over one year of war, Britain's national wealth was in a stronger position than it was at the beginning of hostilities. He did not evade the view that heavier sacrifices would be demanded from the people to enhance the assistance which Britain was receiving from every part of her vast Empire, but he was firmly convinced that the Government's policy at present was sufficient to meet every call made on it for the successful prosecution of the war. What is often overlooked in considering war expenditure is that a large percentage of this money comes back into circulation in the payment of wages to those engaged in war work. The whole expenditure, therefore, cannot be considered unproductive. The remaining part of this expenditure, of course, is absorbed in the programme for the production of arms, munitions and other war equipment. Britain's financial strength must, in these circumstances, be accepted as far more satisfactory than that of Germany, which has been kept on a wartime footing for nearly six years prior to the actual outbreak of war. It is not necessary to emphasize that Britain is in a better position to stand the strain than her principal opponent.

WHITHER THAI? THE STATEMENT of the Prime Minister of Thailand on Tuesday evening that his country was determined to regain her lost territory in Indo-China, even if it meant going to war for the purpose, provides further evidence of the adoption of the Axis

## H.K. Chamber Music Club

FIRST CONCERT AT GOVT. HOUSE

The Hongkong Chamber Music Club this year enters upon the third season of its activities. It is proposed to hold four concerts during the season.

The first concert of the series will be held, by kind invitation of His Excellency the Acting Governor, in Government House, at 9.15 p.m. on Friday, November 8. The programme, which includes three compositions for two pianos and two groups of songs, is as follows:—

Sonata in F for 2 pianos (Bach), played by Harry Ore and John Smith; Three songs, "I envy not a monarch's fate" (Purcell), "Leave me" (Handel) and "The Knotting Song" (Purcell), sung by Maurice Barton; The "Wanderer" Fantasia (Schubert-Liszt) played by Harry Ore and John Smith; Three more songs, "Fair House of Joy" (Quilter), "The Water-Mill" (Vaughan Williams) and "A Christmas Carol" (Malcolm Davidson) by Maurice Barton; and finally, Variations on a Theme of Haydn (Brahms) played on two pianos by Harry Ore and John Smith.

## APPEAL FOR SUPPORT

Many former members of the Club are not at present in the Colony, and it is earnestly hoped that all who are interested in music will lend their support to the Club during the present season. Those desirous of joining the Club should send their subscriptions of \$5 (covering admission to each of the four concerts) to Professor Gordon King, Acting Secretary, Hongkong Chamber Music Club, The University, Hongkong.

## WINTER RELIEF

Donations totalling more than \$10,000,000 have been received in Chungking since the launching of the nationwide movement for funds to purchase winter clothing for war victims and the soldiers at the front. The sum has already exceeded the mark set by the sponsors of the movement.

Chungking has contributed \$1,200,000, while Shanghai \$1,000,000.—(Central News)

technique in the Eastern Hemisphere. Neither Thailand, nor Japan, who is obviously behind the Thai move, has even taken the trouble to state the merits on which this demand is based and, like some of the deluded states in Europe, Thailand has now adopted the role of a mere pawn in Japan's programme for expansion in the south. It is difficult to understand how a country, which has had traditional ties with the democracies of the west and which has sought to pattern its own national existence on the same lines and under favourable treatment from the British Government in economic and political progress, can so readily place itself under the influence of a proven aggressor nation.

IT IS, of course, common knowledge that Japan has in recent years been steadily exerting her influence in Thailand. Until recently, this penetration was confined to acquiring trade advantages in that country, to which Thailand offered no opposition as it was considered beneficial to her own commercial expansion. Later, however, this Japanese influence apparently took on the form of political pressure and, in an attempt to avoid this pressure developing into positive action, the Thai Government has agreed to begin her present pin-pricking against Indo-China. It is clear that should Indo-China give in to Thai's demands, it will afford Japan the chance of gaining a better advantage for her expansion programme. The latest news indicates that Indo-China will reject Thailand's demands and resist any resort to force to obtain them and further developments in this quarter are now being awaited.

## A.R.P. ORDERS

A.R.P. Orders issued by Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions.

### STRENGTH-DECREASE

The following resignations have been accepted:—  
Western Division.—H. 1005 Kwang Yim-hang, H. 1050 Au Yung.  
Quarry Bay Division.—H. 1274 Wong Yuchee, H. 1286 Sit Kam-chuen.  
Kowloon City Division.—H. 2132 Hui Yu-chen.  
Shamshuipo Division.—H. 1880 Au Yeung, Sit-yam on leaving the Colony.

### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Divisional Warden, Aberdeen, Ip Wan-tung is granted one month's sick leave in the Colony from Oct. 20; District Warden "A" Aberdeen Division, Cheung Yuen-ming is granted an extension of sick leave until Oct. 31.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

H. 14 Kwok Kai-him, Bay View, to 105 Tung Choi St., 1st floor, Mongkok; H. 31 Miss Poon Kit-ching, Bay View, to 63 Chun Yeung St., ground floor, Bay View; H. 1044 Miss Yiu Chow-fong, Western, to 14 Eurd Street, 1st floor, Central; H. 1863 Yim Horkwan, Mongkok, to 29 Wong Yik St., 1st fl., Shamshuipo; H. 1937 Miss Ng Bik-kwan, Shamshuipo, to 321 Tai Nam St., 1st floor; H. 1927 Wong Ching-wing, Shamshuipo, to 211 Yu Chau Street, 1st floor; H. 1829 Ho Kin-yuen, Shamshuipo, to 125 Nan Chang St., top floor.

### APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are notified with effect from Oct. 23:—  
District Warden, Kowloon City, Ho Chok-nam, L.A.R.P.S. to be Deputy Divisional Warden (Field Officer); Deputy Divisional Warden M. L. Bevan to be Temporary Divisional Warden from October 1, 1940, while holding present appointment; District Warden "B", Aberdeen, Wong Moon to be Deputy Divisional Warden (Field Officer), Aberdeen; Warden H. 1821 E. O'Neill Shaw to be Deputy Divisional Warden, Eastern; Deputy District Warden "B" Quarry Bay Division, K. M. Lau, to be District Warden "B"; Group Warden H. 1245 Chan Tak-wing to be Deputy District Warden "B"; Quarry Bay Division; Group Warden H. 1226 Li Shek-fu to be Deputy District Warden "A", Quarry Bay Division.

### PROMOTIONS

The following promotions are notified with effect from Oct. 23:—  
Central Division.—To be Group Wardens—H. 301 S/W C. P. Young, H. 302 S/W A. Leong, H. 304 S/W Chui Keung, H. 305 S/W Chui Chung-kwong, H. 307 S/W P. Kwok, H. 317 S/W H. Chong, H. 1491 Tang Chu-chung, H. 1493 To Chiu-won, H. 1494 Pun Kwong-yin. To be Deputy Group Wardens—H. 294 Woo Wing-hong, H. 241 Yeung Yew-cheong, To be Senior Wardens.—H. 227 So Hing-nam, H. 243 Miss Tse Wah-hing, H. 306 A. Senior Warden Chui Chung-pak, H. 338 Miss H. Au, H. 345 G. Y. Yuen, H. 344 Siu Yee-pui. To be Deputy Senior Wardens.—H. 285 Lau Kwok-chu, H. 258 Miss Ho Wai-lin, H. 269 Lee Wing H. 283-Tsui Chai-wah, H. 200 Ho-Yan-che, H. 322 Ip Chi-chiu, H. 328 Leung Pui-kwan, H. 331 Wai Man-kee, H. 336 Miss A. Yut, H. 340 Miss E. Olan.

Eastern Division.—To be Group Wardens.—H. 828 Ho Wing-ye, H. 710 K. Leung, H. 859 S/W J. Lo, H. 859 Au Ching, H. 723 Sun Tschu, H. 708 S/W Lai Ja-min, H. 845 Yam Siu-ching, H. 1376 Tam Sai-kai, H. 798 Cheung Chu-wai. To be Senior Wardens.—H. 722 Chan Kam-sang, H. 754 Ng Ching, H. 825 Ho Wing-yiu, H. 1377 H. A. Bux, H. 898 Lau Kwok-kay, H. 943 Yu Chek.

Kowloon City Division.—To be Group Wardens.—Senior Wardens H. 206 Wong Mau-fan and H. 2076 Wong Poon-lai.  
Shamshuipo Division.—To be Deputy Senior Wardens.—H. 1963 Yin Shek-lin, H. 2015 Li Po-chuen, H. 1979 Mrs. C. Leonard, H. 1883 Miss Kwok Mui-chi, H. 2000 Chau Yung-nar, H. 1989 Yu Fook-sheung, H. 1994 Cheung Ping-shu, H. 1811 Au Yan.

**POLICE ASSISTANCE**  
The following Special Memo No. 42 of 1940 issued by Police Headquarters, Hongkong, on Oct. 15 is published for the information of all concerned.

"In the event of an Air Raid Warden requiring Police assistance when on duty during a blackout or on other official occasions, the Wardens concerned will blow 6 long blasts on his pea-whistle and give a series of flashes with his electric torch. Torches will be covered with blue cloth. The nearest Police Officer upon hearing this signal will go to the Warden and render any assistance that may be necessary."

**STUBBS SHIELD**  
Members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club who would like to represent the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens in the Stubbs Shield are requested to send their names and handbooks to the Deputy Director of Air Raid Precautions not later than Saturday, October 28, 1940. The conditions of the competition are match play, 18 holes, foursomes, under handicap as at time of draw. Entrance fee \$1 per head.

**MEETINGS**  
Attestation of Wardens.—There will be no attestation of Wardens at Hongkong on Tuesday, Oct. 29, or at Kowloon on Oct. 30.

Shamshuipo Division.—There will be a meeting of District Wardens and their Deputies on Thursday, Oct. 24, at 6 p.m. in the Yee Ruk Street Dispensary.

**TRAINING**  
Shamshuipo District Exercise.—(District "A"). On Sunday, Oct. 27, at 2.30 p.m. All posts to be manned at 2.20 p.m. The Report Centre Staff will also be at their posts. Dress—uniform, steel helmets, respirators.

**RETURN OF UNIFORM**  
When a member of the Corps of Air Raid Wardens resigns, his Divisional Warden must return his uniform, badge and identity disc to A.R.P. Headquarters, Hongkong.

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## PRESENT DAY SOCIAL STRUCTURE IN CHINA

### Scathing Denouncement Of Nippon Conception Of Sino-Japan Co-operation

Some interesting comments on the present day social structure in China and a scathing denouncement of the Nippon conception of Sino-Japanese co-operation were made by DR. CHEN HAN-SENG, a sociologist and authority on Chinese history, when he spoke yesterday to an assembly of students of Lingnan University of Canton in the Great Hall of the Hongkong University.

Speaking of the Japanese conception of co-operation, Dr. Chen said, "Sino-Japanese co-operation, as the Japanese interpret it, does not mean anything like a fifty-fifty arrangement, whether it be in Government or in business and industry.

"For themselves the Japanese demand absolute control and more than an even share of the profits. In nearly all cases this co-operation is a coercion and partial confiscation.

"The Japanese programme of enforcing the teaching of their language in all Chinese schools under their control is another sign which reflects the basic conflict between the Chinese and Japanese industrialists.

"Militaristic and reactionary rule in Japan is strengthened and fed by the enslavement of the Chinese people. China's liberation is not only a pertinent and urgent demand of the people in China, but in reality, when it is accomplished, it will be for the best where the Japanese people are concerned."

"The miserable women and children in the present day Japanese factories, and the poverty stricken peasants on the Japanese farms of today cannot possibly emancipate themselves until China is free from Japanese domination and invasion."

### SOCIAL STRUCTURE

Speaking on the subject of China's social structure today, Dr. Chen said that aside from all superficial and non-essential phenomena, and in spite of hair-splitting and controversy arousing terminologies, it was certain that there were still today feudalistic relations in China, infinitely more widespread than in any of the advanced modern nations.

"What is China's international position? Dr. Chen asked, 'Casting off all false and personal pride that one may have it is undeniable that to a large extent China is still subject to colonial domination of one form or another.

"A language is limited as an expression of thought, especially when the content of thought is complicated, perhaps it would be suggestive and useful, if not quite accurate, to describe the nature of present day Chinese society as semi-feudal and semi-colonial.

### SLOW PROGRESS

Deplored the slow progress of industrialisation in China and the tendency of Chinese rich peasants as a whole to rent out a portion of their land to tenants rather than to lease land to enlarge their enterprise, Dr. Chen pointed out that industrial investments in modern factories in China were still very insignificant compared with the investments made in land for the single purpose of collecting rent.

"Furthermore, Dr. Chen said, many industrial investors are only nominal investors, for they do not own their factory but lease it for one or several years. They treat their particular enterprise not essentially as a proposition of manufacture, but primarily as a matter of trade.

"As a corollary of this lagging industrial development, one of the most apparent characteristics of the Chinese agriculture, in contrast to American agriculture, is that by large farming in China is still for subsistence. There is yet no capitalist development in Chinese agriculture.

### POTENTIAL VANGUARD

"Before the present war," the rich peasant in China the potential vanguard of capitalism in rural economy was actually diminishing his area of cultivation as well as his labour power. He could not afford to run the risks almost certain to arise from economic and political uncertainty.

"The war has not altered the situation. A limited number of rich peasants, like some of the well-to-do landlords, have profited lately by smuggling or converting. Such 'stated' last night.

prosperity, however, in no way reflects the expansion of agricultural enterprises.

"By renting out a part of his land, the rich peasant at least ensures for himself an easier and after income, namely, rent. As a matter of fact, an atavistic feature has set in. Many rich peasants in China, who started a few decades or even a few years ago as rural entrepreneurs, have now involuntarily surrendered themselves to a system of traditional and feudalistic tenancy.

### TO BUY LAND

"For deludes the overseas Chinese, have remitted money to their homes in Fukien and Kwangtung. This money has not been invested to enlarge or to improve agricultural production; but, on the contrary, it has been used to buy land and thereby to collect rent.

"The prices of land in the home districts of these overseas people, therefore, have risen to extraordinary heights. Before the present war, whereas a unit of cultivated field cost about 150 yuan in the lower Yangtze Valley, a unit of the same size and fertility in these districts has lately been priced at 500 yuan. In the eastern part of Kwangtung, in the valley of the Han River, such a unit of land costs more than 1,000 yuan.

## NEWSETTES

The Scottish Company, of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps will hold their annual Halloween Dinner on Thursday, Oct. 31, at the Talkoo Club, Quarry Bay.

The death occurred on October 16, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, of Mr. Gerald Vaughan Rowland, aged 49 years, husband of Mrs. E. M. Rowland. The funeral took place at the Hunfiao Road Cemetery on October 18.

The death occurred on October 18, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, of Mr. Alfred Joseph Hudson, aged 72, father of Mrs. P. J. Wilson and Mr. Alfred Saxton Hudson. A funeral service was held in the Bubbling Well Cemetery Chapel on October 18.

The death occurred on October 15, at her residence, 66 Washington Apartments, Shanghai, of Sophie Peck, Graham, aged 75 years, wife of Rev. James R. Graham, Sr., and mother of Fanny Hutcheson Sophie and James Graham.

Mr. J. D. E. Shotter, M.B.E., A.F.C., manager and chief engineer of the China General Omnibus Company, a Shanghai resident of twenty years' standing is leaving on November 6, with Mrs. Shotter, for Australia, where he is joining the Royal Australian Air Force.

The public is reminded that Professor Winifred Cullis, C.B.E., will address the last open meeting for men and women today at the Y.M.C.A., in Kowloon, at 9.15 p.m. Lady MacGregor will preside and it is hoped that a large number will be present to hear Professor Cullis before she leaves the Colony.

The annual demonstration by the pupils of the School for the Deaf will be held in the Great Hall of Heep Yunn School on Saturday, Nov. 2, at 3.30 p.m. and large farming in China is still for subsistence. There is yet no capitalist development in Chinese agriculture.

A report from Vichy, quoted by a news bulletin from Daventry last night, stated that France would not declare Nov. 11 a public holiday this year on account of the fact that the country was in mourning.

Seven German seamen of the German liner Columbus, which was scuttled some months ago, have situation. A limited number of booked their passage to Japan and will leave San Francisco on Friday, well-to-do landlords, have profited lately by smuggling or converting. Such 'stated' last night.



# Union Of Free Europe Must Not Have Political Domination: New Nazi Economic Order Utterly False

## HITLER'S SIGNATURE, WITHOUT SECURITY, WILL BE UNACCEPTED

"A union in Europe based on slavery is no union at all. A union of Europe must be a union of free Europe without political domination and in that union the free nations will produce what they have to produce for the benefit of not only themselves, but for the benefit of the whole world and they shall with our co-operation share that wealth of raw materials which countries overseas will supply, but will not supply under threats to their political and cultural life."

MR. LEONARD INGRAMS, a British economist, concluded a broadcast talk from Daventry last night with these words after having explained how utterly false and impossible of any acceptance was the new economic order for Europe which the Nazis had been proclaiming recently.

The prospect of a new European order is one that will appeal to all men of good will," said Mr. Ingram. "We of the United Kingdom, with the examples before us of our Empire and the United States, will be the first to approve in principle to a new united Europe, but we want to know how far and to what end Europe is to be united."

"People under such a new order should derive a higher standard of living and must feel sure that this new united Europe will be able to prevent bigger wars."

"A Europe seemingly at peace within itself, but working for war will not attract us and it is from this angle that we must study the recent proposal made for this so-called united Europe by Dr. Funk, the German economist."

### CONTRACTS BROKEN

"He says, in general terms, that a Europe united under Germany will be self-supporting. But we know to our cost that Herr Hitler has broken practically all the contracts he has made. Will anyone be prepared to accept his signature in future without any security? I think not."

Mr. Ingram went on to discuss the economic position in Denmark, Norway, Belgium, Holland

and France. Every one of these countries, he said, had been exploited by the Germans and were being steadily robbed of all their resources, which were being used to benefit only their conquerors.

The cunning currency manipulation in France, where banks were being made to accept worthless German marks at the rate of ten francs to one German mark, made it possible for the Germans to get all the goods they wanted out of the country and all that France had left was a huge balance at Berlin.

Millions and millions of German marks, backed by nothing whatsoever, were being forced on the French people, while the accumulation of francs in Berlin was being used for the upkeep of the German army of occupation in France.

### CURRENCY INFLATION

Currency inflation was added to this robbery and according to Dr. Funk's proposal, these German marks would be the standard currency in the new order he wanted to establish in Europe.

"Will this new Europe be working for peace or war?" asked Mr. Ingram. "According to Dr. Funk, these economic measures, which have been used in Germany before, will be applied to the whole union. These economic efforts are being planned on nothing but bankruptcy. Instead of setting to work to restore prosperity, Herr Hitler is to set about getting the people to work making armaments."

"Everything in Herr Hitler's Europe will be subordinated to his dreams of world conquest. Already ninety-billion marks have had to be spent on producing the biggest



SIR JOHN DILL

## ARMY LEADERS PROMOTED

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—A new honour for British Army leaders was announced by the War Office last night in the form of following appointments as Aides-de-Camp General to the King.

General Viscount Gort with effect from July 20 in succession to General Sir Edmund Ironside, who has been promoted Field Marshal.

General Sir Robert Gordon-Finlayson with effect from June 3 in succession to General Sir William Bartholomew who has retired from the active list.

General Sir John Dill, with effect from July 1 in succession to General Sir Walter Kirke, who has retired from the active list.

war machine the world has ever seen. Roads and bridges in Germany have been built to suit the generals.

"That is why Dr. Funk says that he sees no difficulty of switching over economy from war to peace. What it really means is a wartime policy for ever and we can never recognise work of this character."

"For ourselves, it is just this Herr Hitler's raw deal for Europe that we are fighting to defeat. A united Europe based on slavery is no union at all. The only union we can recognise must be free from political domination."

## JAPANESE ATTACKS REPULSED

CHUNGKING, Oct. 23 (Central).—Japanese troops on Sunday pushed southward along the Puyang River to launch a fresh attack at Chuki, important town in northern Chekiang along the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway, 36 miles south of Siao-shan, which was recently lost and recaptured by the Chinese, reports from the Chekiang front state.

Arriving in the suburbs the following day, the Japanese were met and heavily attacked. After sustaining losses, they broke through the Chinese cordon, and fled northward. Following in pursuit the Chinese are reported to have reached Sankiangkow.

Siaohing, famous wine-producing town northeast of Chuki, is quiet.

### JAP BOATS SUNK

According to a Hupoh report, a sharp clash took place between Chinese and Japanese troops at Changshihkow, southeast of Hienmen in central Hupoh, on Oct. 17. Some 300 Japanese casualties were inflicted and six Japanese boats sunk.

In south Shansi, Japanese artillery shelled Maotistun, a crossing on the north bank of the Yellow River, six miles east of Pinglu, on Oct. 19. A number of tear gas shells were fired. Chinese batteries retaliated, causing some casualties among the Japanese.

## SURPRISE VISIT BY CHURCHILL

According to a Daventry news bulletin last night, Mr. Churchill, Prime Minister, paid a surprise visit to the east coast of Scotland yesterday for the purpose of inspecting the defences.

He was met by Gen. Sikorski, Polish Premier, and watched Polish troops at manoeuvres.

## DEATH OF MR. A.B. STEWART

News of the death in London of Mr. A. B. Stewart, partner of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., and a well-known former resident, was received in the Colony yesterday.

The late Mr. Stewart, who was 52 years of age, looked after the firm's interests in England until 1939 when he retired to live in Richmond, Herts.

Mr. Stewart was a former golf champion of the Colony and represented Hongkong in 1934.

Mr. Stewart is survived by his wife and two children who are in London.

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Adverse weather conditions prevented any R.A.F. activity over Germany or German occupied territory, states an Air Ministry communique.

## MURDER MYSTERY ON BOARD U.S. LINER

SHANGHAI, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—A mysterious murder, a typhoon which injured several scores of people; startling news of U.S. State Department advice for evacuation of Americans from the Orient—these are some of the events on the luxury trans-Pacific liner Pres. Coolidge, which arrived this morning after an exciting voyage.

Among prominent passengers travelling in the liner were Mr. Frank P. Lockhart, the new American Consul-General at Shanghai, M. Jean Paul Boncour, the newly-appointed Counsellor to the French Embassy in China, and former French Premier, and M. Roland de Margerie, the new French Consul-General at Shanghai.

### FOUND HANGING

The murder occurred on the first night out of San Francisco, when a middle-aged Chinese was found dead, hanging by a rope in the washroom with head injuries, obviously inflicted by another person. At Honolulu, detectives found that the murdered man had been robbed of U.S.\$5,000.

A typhoon struck the liner 600 miles from Yokohama. A large number of passengers suffered minor injuries and several seriously hurt.

Acute anxiety was caused aboard, when news of the American evacuation move were received.

Mr. Lockhart, M. de Margerie and M. Boncour, all refused to make any statements on arrival today.

### EXTREME INDIGNATION

There was extreme indignation

GEN. ION ANTONESCU  
Rumania's Dictator.

## FATE OF FRANCE

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The French Government spokesman at Vichy stated that M. Laval had gone to meet Herr Hitler merely to discuss questions of a general character and added that it would be ludicrous to believe that his visit was for the purpose of negotiating for the declaration of war by France against Britain.

M. Baudouin is even quoted as saying: "I authorise you to state that all idea of military action against Britain was excluded from the talks."

This message was censored in France, but it was added that the French spokesman would make a statement later in the afternoon.

Other reports from Vichy show that both Marshal Petain and Gen. Weygand are opposed to these reported negotiations.

### POWERFUL FRIENDS

That there are powerful friends of Britain in France is made clear by a statement issued by the Socialist Party which declared: "The Socialists are convinced that Britain is fighting alone to defend the freedom of the whole world."

The Daventry news bulletin quoted comments on Mr. Churchill's call to the people of France.

The French paper JOURNAL DE SHANGHAI, the most powerful French organ in Shanghai, published the speech in full and said that it had created a very favourable impression among most of the people of the French colonies in China.

The Egyptian Press comments similarly on the Prime Minister's

## VEILED GERMAN WARNING TO SWISS

BERLIN, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Learning "with astonishment" that the Polish Legation still exists in Berne, the BERLINER BOERSEN ZEITUNG today utters a veiled warning to Switzerland.

The revelation that the Legation still exists says the paper, came as a result of a series of articles by a special correspondent of the Journal De Geneve, who made a tour of the Polish Government in general.

### POLISH ANSWER

Articles resulted in the publication of a letter in the JOURNAL DE GENEVE entitled "A Polish Answer," written by a member of the Polish Legation in Berne.

The paper adds: "It is incredible that the Swiss Federal Government should allow members of the Polish Legation to take active part in the Swiss Press. The Polish State no longer exists and never will exist again. The Polish Legation therefore has no right to exist."

"It is to be hoped that Switzerland will draw the right conclusion from this."

## YOUNG WOMAN FOUND NOT GUILTY

## BANK NOTE CASE AT SESSIONS

A unanimous verdict of Not Guilty was returned by the jury when a young woman, Ho Wai-chun, was charged before Mr. Justice Williams at the Criminal Sessions yesterday with two counts of uttering and possession of a forged \$10 note of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, at the Kwong Sang Tong drug store, Kowloon.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, prosecuted and the jury comprised Messrs. U. M. Omar (Foreman), Ko Yau-kong, Ngan Fook, Fung Shih-chung, Ho Yuen-po, Mark Sao-wah and Lule Fook-hong.

Denying that she had ever been to the complainant firm on the first occasion, and that she had any knowledge that the note she handed in on the third visit was forged, accused said that it was given to her as household expenses by her husband.

speech and calls Mr. Churchill a "political Samson."

"We realise Britain's power here," says a paper "and if Mr. Churchill speaks of ultimate victory, he is right. Victory is not easy, but certain."

ERNEST BEVIN  
British Minister of Labour acts on policy of co-operation.

## AWARDS MADE TO FIREMEN

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—John German, a part-time Bolton air raid warden, who although wounded in an air raid struggled to his post and collapsed but got his message through, has been awarded the George Medal. It is announced in the "London Gazette."

The George Medal is also awarded to a Birmingham auxiliary fireman, to members of the Bristol and Gerdiff Fire Brigades and Auxiliary Fire Service and to the Chief Officer of the Milford-Haven Fire Brigade.

The medal of the Order of the British Empire is awarded to a Bristol auxiliary fireman and to a member of the Newport Fire Brigade.

### GALLANT CONDUCT

All these awards are in recognition of gallant conduct during a very serious fire started by an air attack. While it was being fought, there were air raids day and night, and the firemen were machine-gunned as well as bombed.

## MANSLAUGHTER ALLEGED

The body of a Chinese male was picked up by the police in Nea Tsai Wai Road on Monday and a post mortem examination revealed that the man had met with foul play. The cause of death was rupture of the spleen.

The police arrested a man, alleged to have had a fight with the deceased, and it is learned that he will appear before the Kowloon Court today on a charge of manslaughter.

An Indian watchman, believed to be an employee of the Kowloon Godowns, was sent to hospital yesterday after he had been knocked down by a hit-and-run driver in Canton Road, near Pakhoi Street.

## AMERICANS JOIN R.A.F. "FOR THE HELL OF IT" TO GET CRACK AT HITLER

LONDON, Oct. 14.—Eleven young Americans, ranging in ages from 19 to 32, were preparing with the Royal Air Force today to fight against Nazi Germany, "just for the hell of it," writes Ned Russell in the Mandala Bulletin.

That is the spirit that made them leave their homes in Texas, Utah, California, Ohio, Wisconsin and New Jersey to cross the Canadian border and sign up with the R.A.F. with commissions as pilot officers.

Some of them resigned their blood rushed to my head during commissions with the U.S. Air Force Reserve, while others are flying because they like it and seem to be getting more than 20 feet above the ground and flashed over the target. Then we began to climb again. The blood rushed from my head to my feet, during the few seconds in which we climbed again to 3,000 feet.

### WANT TO FLY

And some threw up jobs in America because they wanted to fight Hitler, wanted to fly, or thought they would have to fight eventually against the Germans and "might as well come first and get the best jobs."

With other American correspondents yesterday, I visited this group of Americans fighting with the R.A.F. and went through their rigid training grind. All of us were taken into the air, for practice dive-bombing.

### GO INTO MOCK DIVES

High over England, we started the day's manoeuvres. When the squadron leader at the head of the group signalled with his hand, my plane dipped 100 feet, while the one on the right side over to get next to the squadron leader. Then we climbed upstairs. Other formations did the same, until we were all on a long, staggered "echelon" formation.

"We circled the field in this formation, until the squadron leader gave another signal and 'peeled off,' heading in a mock dive attack from an altitude of 3,000 feet on a truck in an open field.

My pilot followed, and we roared down at 300 miles an hour. I gripped my shoulder straps as the

## NECK ARTERIES SLASHED

A 37-year-old leather worker, Kwong Yan-fuk, was found with the arteries in his neck severed while sleeping in a hut in Jardine's Hill Refugee Camp on Tuesday night.

Kwong, who died at midnight in hospital, before losing consciousness named a man as the alleged assailant but up to early yesterday morning the man had not been arrested.

Det. Insps. W. N. Darkin and L. R. Whant are in charge of the case.

ing of the R.A.F. battles and thought the British Spitfire and Hurricane pilots might want help. "I could help them as well as the next guy, and here I am," he said.

### CHANCE TO HAVE FUN

Byron Kennerly, a commercial flyer from Pasadena and a dam worker also, figured that the United States was heading for war with Germany, so I just came along a little early to get set."

Gregory Raymond Van Nuys, 19 years old, is the baby of the squadron, but one of its most daring pilots. He had been paying for his flying lessons with money earned tinkering with engines at the Burbank airport when he decided the war was a good chance to enjoy himself.

"I'd like to get a crack at the Jerry, and this seemed a good way to get some fun at the same time," he declared.

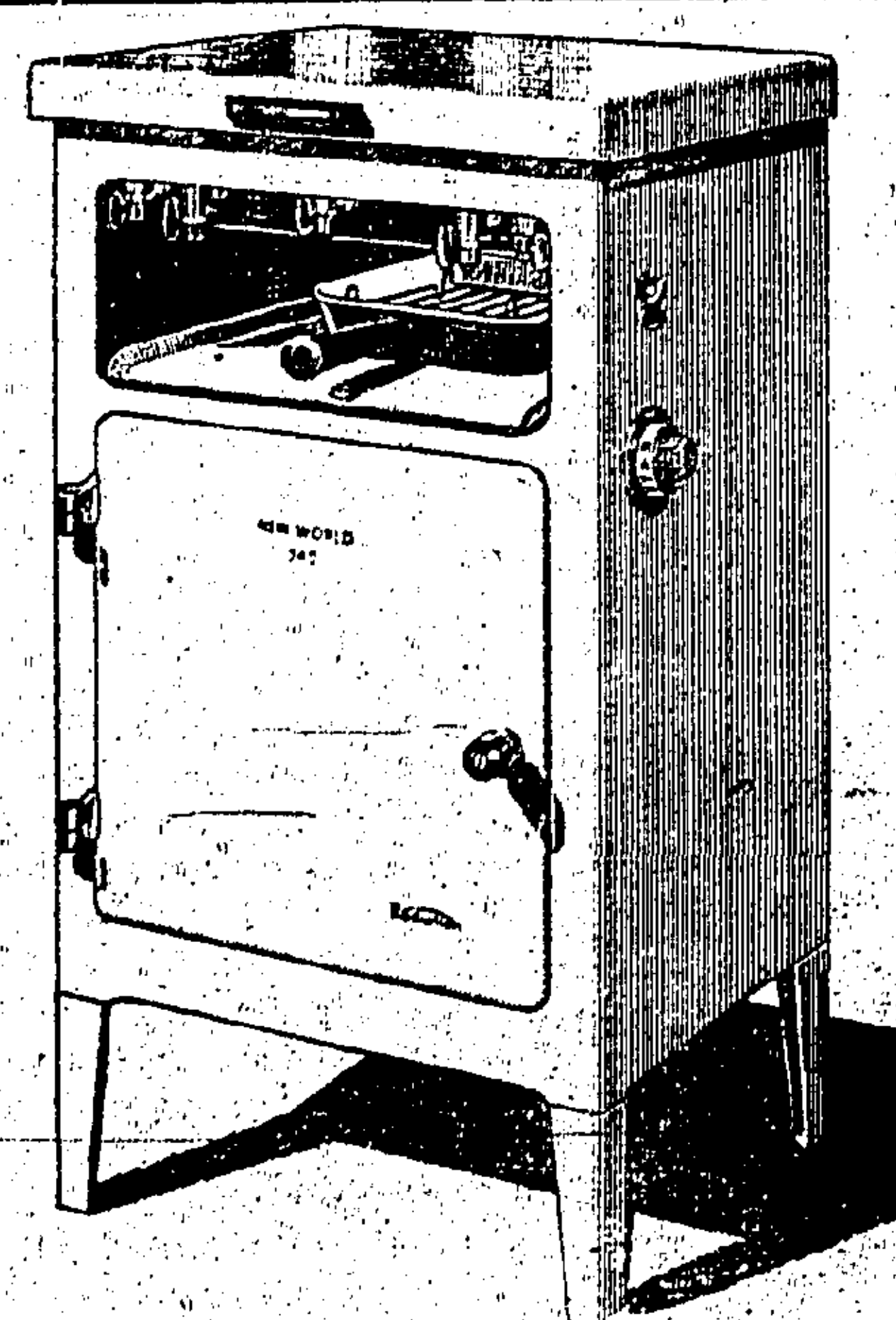
Richard Moore of Fort Worth and Charley Peterson tried to join the R.A.F. last February but were turned back by United States border officials. Then the neutrality law was relaxed so they could go through.

Moore, who resigned his U.S. reserve commission, said that "figure I couldn't beat Hitler flying at Fort Worth."

James MacGinnis of Hollywood had been working in a Lockheed assembly plant, flying on his own time and expense.

"I guess I am a sort of soldier of fortune," he told me. "I couldn't get in the United States air corps because I hadn't had two years of college, so I figured the best way to get adventure was in this war."

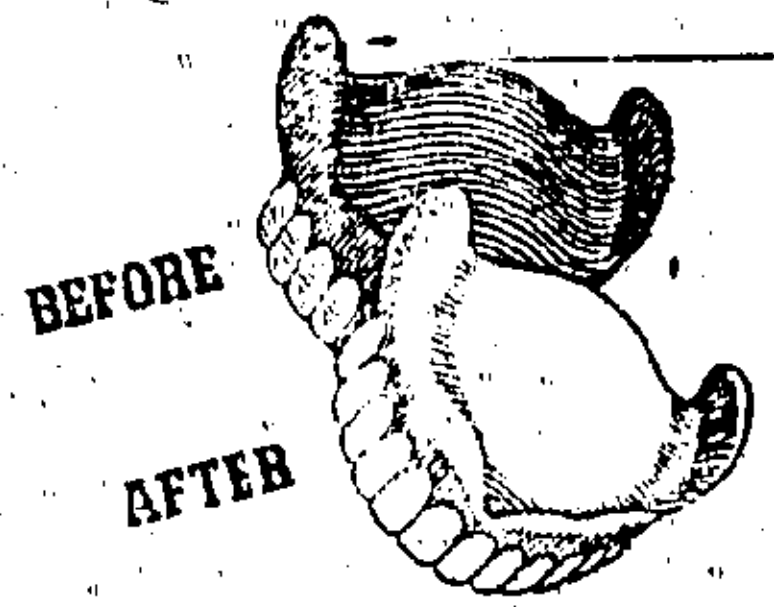
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## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

### AT CENTRAL

#### WATCHMEN CHARGED

That after robbing the complainants of the wolfram ore they sold it to the firm to which the complainants were taking the ore for the purpose of sale was revealed when committal proceedings against five Chinese, four of whom were described as watchmen, were begun before Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

The accused were Ng Hin, 23, DW 4, Ng Po, 25, unemployed Tse Kwong, 29, DW, 37, Yip Wing-cheung, 25, DW 125 and Chan Fan, 37, DW 26.

The charges against second defendant and fifth defendant, represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva, were withdrawn owing to lack of evidence.

First defendant was represented by Mr. H. A. de B. Botelho, while third and fourth defendants were defended by Mr. B. C. Hobbs and Mr. S. Ng Quinn, respectively.

Ng Hin, Ng Po, Yip and Chan are alleged to have robbed Lau Lam and Wan Kim-chau of 40 cabbles of wolfram at Connaught Road West on Aug. 27.

Ng Hin and Ng Po are additionally charged with demanding \$50 with menaces, from Chan Chi-fan on Sept. 24 at Connaught Road West. They are further charged, together with Tse Kwong, with demanding \$50, with menaces from Chang Keng-yan on Aug. 29.

Det. Sub-Inspr. R. Cunningham said that the five accused took the ore to the Asia Mining Co. to whom they sold it.

After evidence for the prosecution was given hearing was adjourned to today at 2.30 p.m.

#### JEWEL ROBBERY ALLEGED

Alleged to have robbed James Ford, of No. 423, Lockhart Road, first floor, of a large quantity of jewellery on Sept. 13, four men appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday when committal proceedings were begun.

Three of the accused, Li Yuk, 28, coolie, Au Chim, 36 unemployed, and Au Tim, 27 tinsmith, were charged with armed robbery, while Tse Wah, alias Wah Bai, 26, tailor, was charged with counselling, procuring or commanding the first three defendants to commit the crime.

The jewellery stolen consisted of diamond, gold and jade rings, wrist and pocket watches, and a fountain pen and pencil.

Det. Sub-Inspr. W. N. Darkin said when one of two amahs opened the door she saw first defendant, with a parcel which he said was for "Jimmy."

The house was ransacked. Mr. F. W. Shaftain, A. D. C. I., testified to the identification parade.

Evidence was given by Mr. James Ford, and the amah, Lau Fun. She said she saw first defendant open a drawer with a chisel and put all the jewellery into his pocket.

Hearing was adjourned to 2.30 p.m. today.

#### STOLE FROM CEMETERY

Seen by the caretaker of the Colonial Cemetery on Tuesday removing an artificial wreath from a grave, Au Fong, 22, unemployed, was arrested and charged before

### NOTICE.

The public is hereby notified that the undersigned's petitions dated Sept. 29th 1940 to the contractors on behalf of their members for an extra allowance to offset the increased high cost of living, on the basis 7 cents per dollar per head irrespective of scale of wages, which the Naval, Whampoa and Talkoo Dockyards, have granted to their painters, have been very favourably received by the various contractors concerned. Lien Ho Shing (聯合盛), Kwang Yih (廣益) and Hing Kee (興記) have voluntarily granted this allowance beginning from Oct. 10th, 1940. Separate letters of thanks have been addressed by the undersigned to all the contractors, requesting them to grant this allowance from Oct. 15th, 1940.

Hongkong Kowloon Painters Union,

81 德其利 Street, 2nd floor, Hungghom.

KUO SING.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday with larceny of the wreath and a glass wreath cover, to the total value of \$30.

Defendant, who had one previous conviction, was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison prosecuted.

#### EMPLOYMENT RACKET

A 35-year-old married woman, Lam Kwai-lan, appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday charged on two counts of obtaining money by false pretences.

Lam was alleged to have, between Oct. 4 and Oct. 22, obtained the sum of \$150 each from Cheng Mui-king, 17, spinster, and Ng Lai-wan, 22, widow, respectively, at Hennessy Road by falsely pretending that she was in a position to obtain employment at the Jardine's Company for the complainants.

Defendant denied both charges. Det.-Sgt. Morrison asked and was granted a remand of 48 hours in Police custody for further charges to be preferred.

#### GIVEN A CHANCE

"I will give you a chance this time," said Mr. Sheldon yesterday when he bound over Wong Wing-nai, 23, unemployed, in the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for one year.

Wong was charged with assaulting Li Shing, 40, clerk, at Jaffe Road on Oct. 19, and with loitering on the roof of No. 242 Jaffe Road at 11 p.m.

Det.-Sgt. Morrison yesterday stated that defendant had left school two years ago and had no employment since then.

### AT KOWLOON

#### A SECOND TIME

For stealing lead from the King's Park Revolver Range for the second time within a week Chan Kwai, 20, was sentenced to eight weeks' hard labour and is to be expelled from the Colony after the term.

The defendant, who was bound over last week, was charged before Mr. Macfadyen yesterday for stealing six pounds of lead.

#### ABUSED KINDNESS

For the theft of two electric fans from a woman, who allowed them to stay in her home while they were out of jobs, Ng Chuen, 23, and Ng Hing, 25, were charged before Mr. Macfadyen yesterday and were bound over. They are to be expelled. Sgt. Alexander prosecuted.

#### OPIUM CASES.

A fine of \$480, in default, 11 months and three weeks in prison was imposed by Mr. Himsforth yesterday on Pun Sing for keeping a heroin and opium divan at No. 463, Reclamation Street, first floor, and for having in his possession prepared opium.

Fong Tak was fined \$480, or 11 months' hard labour for a similar offence. Lee Sze was fine \$190, or five months' hard labour, for keeping a heroin divan at No. 659, Shanghai Street. Szeto Mun was fined \$125, or four months' hard labour, for keeping an opium divan at No. 524, Shanghai Street.

Chu Yuet charged with an opium divan at No. 1008, Canton Road, was remanded for one week on \$1,000 bail.

#### UNREGISTERED FACTORIES

Charged with keeping an un-registered factory at No. 170-2, Nan Chang Street, the manager of Chee Shing Dyeing Company was fined \$50 by Mr. Macfadyen yesterday. A fine of \$50 was also imposed on the manager of Sun Sun Cotton Wool Factory, in Kowloon City, for a similar offence.

A fine of \$30 was imposed on the manager of Man Chung Metal Ware Company for keeping an un-registered factory at No. 201, Tai Nam Street.

Mr. E. C. Drown, Assistant Inspector of Factories and Workshops, prosecuted.

#### ASKED GIRL TO STEAL

Leung Ki, 20, appeared before Mr. Macfadyen yesterday on the charge of larceny of one bicycle from Fui Hang Bicycle Shop, at No. 152, Yee Kok Street on Oct. 10 and pleading guilty, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

Det.-Sgt. Shaw, prosecuting, said that the defendant had a girl friend, Lui Siu-chun, 16, and on Oct. 10 he told her to hire a bicycle for him, which she did and gave to him. He told it for \$3. Inquiries showed that the girl was a street sleeper and had a mother at No. 19, Woosung Street. The latter, on her remarriage three years ago, deserted the girl.

## Axis Pressure On Vichy To Fight Britain: Laval's Peace Offer To Dictators

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Reports are linking together rumours of an impending visit by Ribbentrop, Nazi Foreign Minister, to Vichy and that M. Laval, Vichy Vice-Premier, is in Paris negotiating on a proposal for reaching a definite armistice with the Axis.

According to American correspondents, M. Laval's proposal is that France should give up Alsace-Lorraine, Nice, Tunis and Djibouti.

The Axis would undertake not to steal anything else if Vichy declared war on Britain.

There are German-inspired suggestions that negotiations have reached a point where Ribbentrop's visit to Vichy might clinch them.

(The German press, for the past two weeks, has refrained from saying anything derogatory about France.)

#### PEOPLE'S VIEW

According to these American correspondents, it is agreed that Marshal Petain would reject any such proposal and it is believed that Laval himself doubts if the French army, navy and air force would fight Great Britain.

Other reports indicate that the French people hold this view.

For instance, in Paris, the police have found 18 centres for the secret printing and distribution of pamphlets, and 615 people have been arrested.

#### NO INFORMATION

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—On leaving Mr. Sumner Welles' office after a talk, M. Henry Hays, the French Ambassador, told waiting reporters that he had not the slightest information, direct or indirect, about reports that France might enter the war on Germany's side.

The Ambassador was understood to have discussed a proposal to send additional United States observers to Martinique.

M. Hays declined to comment directly on the report but said that the American and French Governments were trying to determine what to do with the 100 American-made warplanes which the French aircraft carrier, Bearn, has taken there.

#### EASING BLOCKADE

In answer to questions about the Vichy Government's reaction to Mr. Churchill's address, M. Hays said: "I don't know. I only know my own. I was very much impressed, but if he said something about easing the blockade for the benefit of French women and children, that would touch the French people very much."

## BATAVIA CHINESE DONATE MILLIONS QUININE PILLS

CHUNGKING, Oct. 23 (Central).—Two large consignments of quinine totalling 220 boxes containing 11,000,000 pills, donated by overseas Chinese in Batavia for civilian and military use, have arrived in Rangoon, and will be transported to Free China via the Burma Road.

The first consignment of 6,000,000 pills in 120 boxes arrived in Rangoon on July 18, while the second instalment of 100 boxes containing 5,000,000 pills reached there on August 15.

In order to hasten their dispatch into the interior, the National Military Council has instructed the Southwest transportation authorities to facilitate their transportation over the Burma Road.

Both instalments are consigned to the Headquarters of the National Association for the Relief and Comfort of Soldiers in Kunming.

### THE WEATHER

Maximum temperature yesterday was 87 and the minimum 79. Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 113.61 inches against an average of 81.49.

The Royal Observatory report states:—

The anticyclone continues moving eastward and is now centered over N. Japan.

A depression is moving eastward over Mongolia, and an area of low pressure extends from Tongking to S.E. China.

Mr. Macfadyen asked her mother to take the girl back.

#### MARINE COURT

The Chinese master of a fishing junk appeared before Comdr. C. F. Hole yesterday and pleaded guilty to a charge of failing to use the gap in the boom at the South East entrance of the harbour on Monday. He was fined \$10 with the alternative of ten days' imprisonment with hard labour. (The fine was paid.)

## BRITAIN TO BUILD GREAT ARMY

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—"The war can never be won without a military decision in the East or the West or on both fronts. That is why we are building up a great army," said Lord Croft, Under-Secretary for War speaking in London yesterday.

He added: "It must be an army of superior efficiency. If the army is a happy family there will be no Maginot complex."

## MODEL FACTORY: OVALTINE WORKS DESCRIBED

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These are the reasons why it is suggested that when you buy a tonic food beverage your choice should be Ovaltine. And, by the way, it is the most economical obtainable.

### WEATHER REPORT

Royal Observatory, Hongkong.  
10 a.m., Oct. 23.  
Barometer (at sea level), 29.96 ins.  
Temperature, 83 F.  
Humidity, 73 per cent.  
Wind Direction, S.W.  
Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.  
Temperature; maximum yesterday 87 F.  
Temperature; minimum last night, 79 F.  
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m. today, 0.01 ins.  
Total rainfall since January 1st, 113.61 ins.

Against an average of 81.49 ins. Sunset tonight, 5.52 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow, 6.24 a.m.

4 p.m., Oct. 23.  
Barometer (at sea level), 29.87 ins.  
Temperature, 83 F.  
Humidity, 73 per cent.  
Wind Direction, S.W.  
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.  
Maximum temperature, 87 F.  
Minimum temperature, 79 F.  
Rainfall, nil.

#### HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 24 to 30, Oct. 1940.

HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
Days of Month.	Time.	Days of Month.	Time.
Thur. 24	11.09	Fri. 25	10.40
	18.55		18.30
Fri. 25	02.25	Sat. 26	10.48
	17.46		18.16
Sat. 26	03.58	Sun. 27	11.40
	18.24		18.39
Sun. 27	05.23	Mon. 28	12.28
	18.66		19.45
Mon. 28	06.58	Tue. 29	13.10
	19.30		19.40
Tue. 29	07.45	Wed. 30	13.48
	20.05		20.36
Wed. 30	08.45		21.25
	20.40		21.56



### BACK TO LIFE

"How do you feel this morning, Jock?"

"Ugh!"

"Like that, eh?"

"Worse than that!"

"Good party, though. Never enjoyed an evening as much for years."

"I've never hated a morning as much. I'm still tossing feverishly on my bed of pain. In fact I don't suppose I shall ever get up again. Send me some books from time to time, will you? And a few flowers. Tell the boys I'm keeping a stiff upper lip."

"Has nobody told you about Gimlet? I stuck to them all evening. Feel as fresh as a whole field full of daisies."

"You mean that Ross' Elm Juice takes care of the hangover before it starts?"

"Definitely. It's known as 'a therapeutic agent' if that conveys anything to you."

"Is might, if my mind could grasp words of more than one syllable. I say—I think I'll send out for some right away. May act retrospectively. Thanks for ringing old boy. I feel better already. See you one of these days at the club. Good-bye."

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# Finance and Commerce

## GLUCOSE FROM SPENT CITRONELLA

For the first time glucose in its purest form has been made from spent citronella grass, writes the Sunday Ceylon Observer.

Samples of it were recently exhibited in the Department of Commerce and Industries stall at the Printers' Picnic Carnival, and mention of its possibilities has been made in the State Council.

The brown residue left after the glucose has been obtained can be used for the making of card board, ceiling-board, wall-board and other such useful by-products.

In fact there were some samples of excellent card-board made from this residue, also on exhibition. Hitherto after citronella oil had been extracted from the citronella grass the spent grass was thrown away or burnt.

Mr. D. H. Balfour, the Director of Commerce and Industries, told a Sunday "Observer" reporter, "I am sure we shall be able to commercialise this invention. We shall probably be the cheapest manufacturers of card board in the world."

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Mr. Balfour added that he had worked on this process for some years and had perfected it recently. "We propose to put up a pioneer factory for the manufacture of glucose sugar and card-board, ceiling-board, wall-board, etc., on a large scale. We hope to be able to sell glucose sugar cheaper than cane sugar."

"As for the various kinds of board we may soon be in a position to export them," he said.

## KIDNAPPERS ACTIVE IN SHANGHAI

CHUNGKING, Oct. 23 (Central).—Hsu Tso-liang, a resident in Yu Yuen Road in the western district, Shanghai, was kidnapped on Oct. 18 by four men who also robbed about \$1,000 worth of jewellery and banknotes.

His family did not report the kidnapping to the Police until Monday lest the kidnappers should kill him at once.

## SOVIET COMMENT ON BURMA ROAD REOPENING

CHUNGKING, Oct. 23 (Central).—Reopening of the Burma Road was given prominence by most Soviet papers, according to a Moscow report.

The Red Star on Oct. 19 published a Tass report that the first batch of Chinese trucks had entered Chinese territory following the reopening of the Road, and also a description of the Road with a map.

Commenting on the reopening, the paper said that Japan's objective in closing the Burma Road was to cut China's international route and force her to submission but this attempt had failed.

## ITALY CLAIMS "RIGHT OF WAR"

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—"In bombing oil properties on Bahrain Island, Italy is exercising the right of war" is the comment made in authorised Rome circles yesterday on the protest filed with the United States Department by the California Standard Oil Company and the Texas Oil Company against alleged bombing of American-owned oil properties.

The Italian view is said to be that firstly, Bahrain Island, being a British protectorate, the companies exploiting it there are juridically British; secondly, "England, thanks to the Treaty concluded with the local Emir, has political and economic supremacy on the island."

## JOHORE CHINESE TO DEVELOP FUKIEN INDUSTRIES

FOOCHOW, Oct. 23 (Central).—Chinese merchants in Johore, British Malaya, have raised a large capital for the development of industries and agriculture in Fukien province.

As an initial instalment, Messrs. Cheng Ching-luen and Yeh Chuan, who recently arrived in Yunnan as representatives of the Chinese capitalists in Johore, have decided to invest \$2,000,000 for the reclamation of waste land in northern Fukien.

After having conferred with the provincial and local authorities in Yunnan on the project, the two overseas merchants leaders are now on an investigation tour of Nanping, Kienou, Kienyang, Chungang, Shaowu and Chanleu. It is estimated that some 119,682 mows of waste land are available for reclamation in these six districts.

## TRUCKS ARRIVE IN KUNMING

KUNMING, Oct. 23 (Central).—The first batch of trucks loaded with materials of various descriptions which left Lashio for the interior of China following the reopening of the Burma Road safely arrived here yesterday, and is leaving this morning to continue its trip inland.

The drivers and engineers were entertained at a dinner party given by local transportation companies yesterday evening. Except a few Indian volunteers, they are all overseas Chinese who have returned to serve the fatherland.

Interviewed they said that there had been air raid alarms on the way but the natural shelters offered adequate protection.

It is learned from responsible circles that full efforts will be exerted to keep the Burma Road open in face of Japanese aerial attacks. Air defence at towns and bridges along the Road will be strengthened. Large quantities of repair materials will be put in readiness. More armed squads and repair gangs are being organised.

## H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

The market continues steady with sellers holding for slightly higher rates.

### BUYERS

Douglases, \$125.  
Docks (Old), \$15.75.  
Providents, \$4.55.  
Hotels, \$3.20.  
Lands, \$30.50.  
Realities, \$3.30.  
Telephones (New), \$38.10.  
Telephones (Old), \$23.50.  
Telephones (New), \$9.55.  
Cements, \$16.  
Dairy Farms, \$17.  
Watsons, \$8.90.

### SELLERS

H.K. Fire Ins., \$150.  
Hotels, \$3.40.  
Lands, \$31.25.  
Cements, \$16.50.  
Vibro Piling, \$8.

### SALES

Providents, \$4.55/80.  
Electric (Old), \$36.75.  
Electric (New), \$38.  
Watsons, \$9.

## HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Wednesday, Oct. 23, 1940.

SALES  
China Providents 500 4.55  
500 4.55  
1000  
The Total value is \$4,500.00.

## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange yesterday had a slow session, and although there was generally an easier disposition there were no signs of selling. Home falls, however, again moved against the general trend due to further provincial buying interest. Wall Street was narrowly irregular.

## ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES IN JAPAN

MOSCOW, Oct. 23 (Central).—Moscow papers gave prominence to a report by the Tass correspondent in Tokyo on the economic difficulties in Japan. Referring to news appearing in the Asahi Shimbun, the correspondent writes that people in Japan belonging to the middle classes actually are not in a position to purchase either a new suit or a pair of shoes for their children.

"New in Japan, nobody is surprised to meet a person on the street whose dress is made of different pieces of material," the correspondent observed.

## BRITISH PATROL IN ACTION

NAIROBI, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—A successful attack against an enemy post near the Kenya frontier was announced in a communiqué issued yesterday. The communiqué says one of our ground patrols attacked an enemy post at Dukana, near the Kenya border, 70 miles from Lake Rudolf.

The enemy withdrew, leaving five dead as well as camels and equipment. Our casualties were one killed and one wounded.

## Wendell Willkie Charges Roosevelt With Delaying National Defence Plan

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 13.—Mr. Wendell L. Willkie, the Republican candidate for president, carried his campaign to the heart of President Roosevelt's home state today with a sharp attack on what he called the administration's "failure" to establish an adequate national defence.

"Although it has been talking about national defence for nearly five years, the New Deal has failed to make us strong," he declared.

"We all know what happened to the French army for its lack of sufficient weapons against tanks. The manoeuvres at Plattsburgh in 1939 disclosed that our national guard has no such weapons at all."

"PRESERVATION OF PEACE  
While en route to this state from Boston yesterday, Mr. Willkie addressed a small group of businessmen and workers at Lawrence, Mass., where he declared that "the next administration will bear the awful responsibility of keeping the United States in peace; and we can have peace, but we must know how to preserve it."

"We won't undertake to fight anybody else's war. Our boys shall stay out of the European war," but by the same token, we shall appeal to no one. We stand for our democratic institution. We stand ready to defend it with our lives, if necessary.

"ONLY ONE WAY  
"How then shall we stay from the war and avoid appeasement? There's only one way. We must become strong. We must build ourselves an air force, navy and army so strong that no dictator would dare tamper with our commerce, interests and rights. That's the defence programme we must have."

Mr. Willkie started denouncing the administration's defence policy as early as Friday morning, when he spoke before a Republican rally in Boston.

"Our irresponsible government," he declared, "seriously delayed our defence programme at a time when Adolf Hitler has designs on us. We cannot afford that kind of government any longer. We must have the kind of government that gets things done."

"At this very moment, Nazi agents are going about this country, spreading propaganda and seeking to entrap American businessmen by the lure of commercial profit," he declared.

HITLER'S PLANS  
Mr. Willkie asserted that nobody believes Hitler is "planning at this moment to send an expeditionary force across the Atlantic to attack us, yet none of us are so blind as to deny that Hitler has designs on us."

"We know—he has said so many times—that he hates democracy. He is aware that if we really can make democracy strong here in America, his own system of blood tyranny cannot forever survive."

COLOURED OPINION  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—The coloured division of the Democratic National Committee today began issuing pamphlets calling attention to the German ancestry of the Republican president.

candidate, Wendell Willkie, and mentioned alleged anti-Negro activities at Elwood, Indiana, Willkie's birthplace.

At the same time, the national committee of the "Democrats-for-Willkie Club" charged that Democratic leaders had "descended to a smear campaign."

BORN IN GERMANY  
The Negro pamphlets said Willkie's father was born in Germany. Willkie's grandfather was born in Germany. The parents of Willkie's mother were born in Germany. Willkie's wife was born in Kentucky of German parentage.

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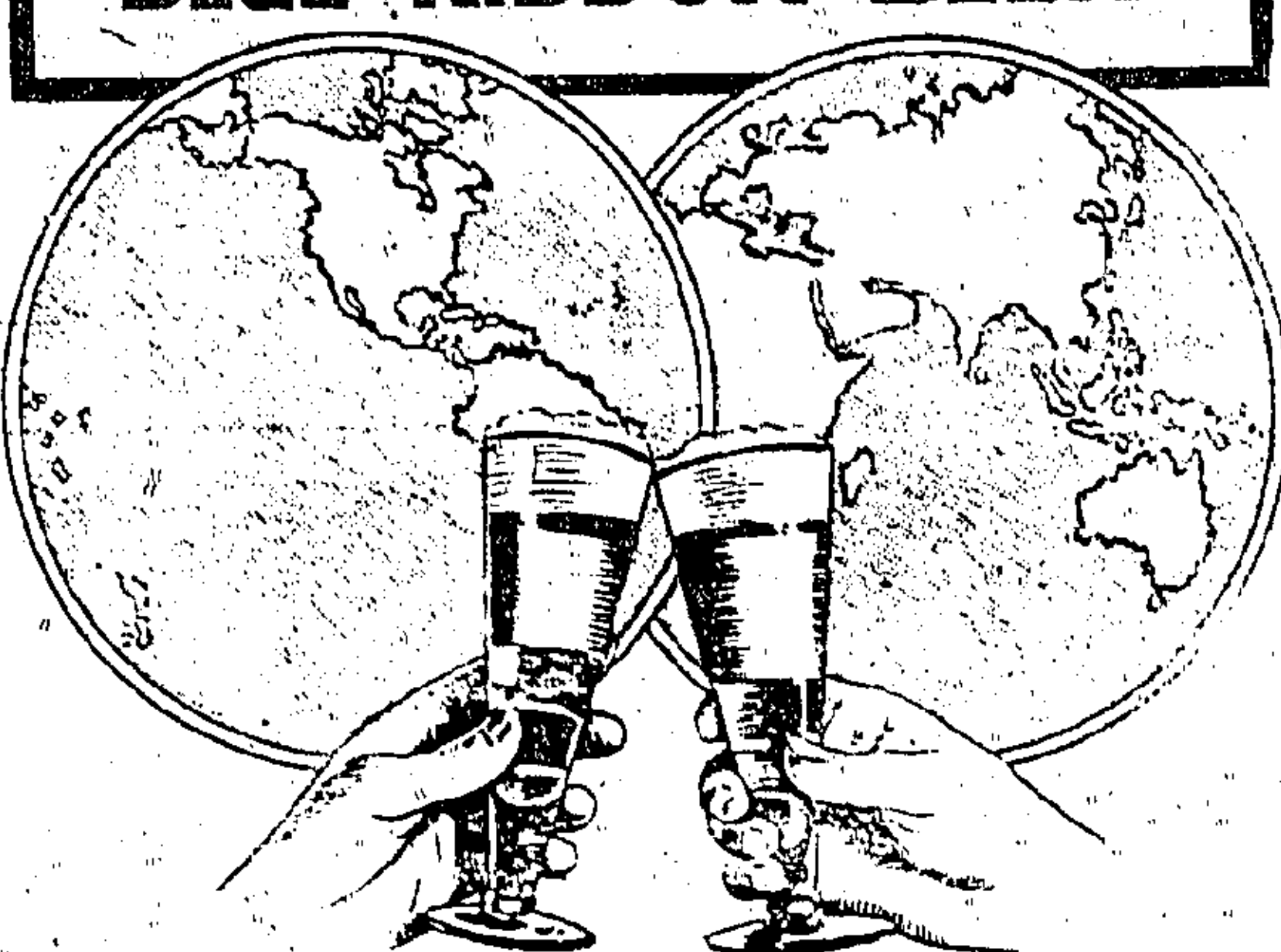
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## SEQUEL TO PARIS ASSASSINATION

VICHY, Oct. 22 (Reuter).—(The Polish Jew, Czarnypan, who assassinated Her. von Rath, a counsellor of the German Embassy in Paris on November 18, 1938, is being sent to Berlin for trial.

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## BANKS

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## CLOSING QUOTATIONS

OCTOBER 23, 1940

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 7/8
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months sight 1/2 1/2	
On Shanghai:	On demand 3/8
On Singapore:	On demand 52 3/4
On Japan:	On demand 105
On India:	Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 1/2
and demand 52 1/2	
On New York:	Bank Bills, on demand 52 5/8
Credits, 60 days sight 23 1/2	
On Batavia:	On demand 42 1/4
On Paris:	Bank Bills, on demand Nom.
Credits 4 months sight Nom.	
On Saigon:	On demand 98 1/2
On Manila:	On demand 45 1/4
On Bangkok:	On demand 149 1/2
On Sterling Notes:	Bank Buying Rate ... Nom.
Bar Silver per oz.	23 1/2

## Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Wednesday, Oct. 23.

Silver prices rose 1/16 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 23 1/2 for Ready and 23 7/16 for Forward. Silver advances reported the market as being quiet and featureless. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York-London was quoted at 402 1/2.

## MARKET

## STERLING

No business was reported. The market closed with sellers at 1/2. 31/32 October-December, buyers at 1/3 for Cash.

## U.S. DOLLARS

Nothing doing. Sellers at 23 for near and 23 1/16 December, buyers at 23 1/3 for Cash.

## SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Sellers at 392 1/2.

## SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 351/64 for Spot and subsequently rose to 343 1/8. The market closed at noon with sellers at 351/64 for Spot. U.S. Dollars, at the opening sellers were quoted at 527/32 for Spot. Subsequently the rate rose to 57/8 and at the close sellers were again quoted at 527/32 for Spot.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Oct. 23 (Reuters).

## Official T.T. Rates

	Opening
London	0/3-11/16
New York	5-5/8
Japan	23-7/8
India	20-3/8 N
Hongkong	24-1/2

## Sterling

	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/3-13/16	0/3-51/64
Oct.	0/3-13/16	0/3-51/64
Nov.	0/3-51/64	0/3-51/64

## U.S. Dollars

	Spot	Oct.	Nov.
Spot	55-7/8	55-27/32	
Oct.	5-7/8	5-27/32	
Nov.	5-27/32	5-27/32	

Market: Quiet.

## Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 24 1/2 per cent.

## Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Oct. 22 (Reuters). T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4.

## SILVER MARKET

## LONDON SILVER

London, Oct. 22 (Reuters). Silver-Market quiet and featureless. Business small.

Spot, 23-1/2d.

Forward, 23-7/16d.

## BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Oct. 22 (Reuters). Indian Mint Silver.

Ready 82-07

Nov. 28 Settlement 82-06

Dec. 27 Settlement 82-09

## LONDON GOLD

London, Oct. 22 (Reuters). Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 103/-

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW  
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

NEW YORK, October 22, 1940.

## SINGAPORE RUBBER

S P O T

JAN.-MAR.

APR.-JUNE

The market was steady.

## LONDON RUBBER

S P O T

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

JAN.-MAR.

APRIL-JUNE

After firming up on dealers covering induced by trade enquiry, the market closed quiet.

## NEW YORK COTTON

A marketing quota of 12,000,000 bales has been announced, unchanged from previous years. Farmers will vote on the quota in December.

## NEW YORK RUBBER

Reserve buying of physicals is reported.

## CHICAGO WHEAT

Trade shorts were good buyers of near positions. The firm cash position continues to be the strengthening factor.

## NEW YORK STOCKS

Previous close, 131.37; Today's close, 131.93; Change, up .16.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET  
(REUTERS SERVICE)

	Prev.	Today's	Change
New York Cotton, Dec.	9.52	9.48	.01 up
New York Rubber, Dec.	20.42	20.35	.07 up
Chicago Wheat, Dec.	87	85 1/2	1 1/2 up
Chicago Corn, Dec.	61 1/2	60 1/2	1 1/2 up
New York Hides, Dec.	13.17	12.80	13.15 27 up
NEW YORK COTTON			
Dec. (New contract)	9.50/50	9.51/52	.01 up
January	9.49/49	9.48/48	.04 up
March	9.45/45	9.44/44	.04 up
May	9.34/34	9.33/33	.04 up
July	9.16/16	9.17/17	.04 up
Oct.	8.77/77	8.78/78	.04 up
Spot	9.56 N	9.56n	unch.
Total sales Monday	78,900 bales.		
NEW YORK RUBBER			
December	20.30b	20.35/35	.12 up
January	20.51b	20.51b	.05 up
March	19.58/98	20.00/00	.02 up
May	19.81b	19.80b/89a	.01 off
Total sales	420 tons.		
CHICAGO WHEAT			
December	85 1/2	85 1/8	.11 up
May	84 1/2	84 1/4	.11 up
Monday's sales	6,165,000 bushels.		
CHICAGO CORN			
December	60 1/2	60 1/4	.11 up
May	61 1/2	61 1/4	.11 up
WINNIPEG WHEAT			
October	70 1/2	70 1/4	.11 up
NEW YORK HIDES			
December	12.68/88	12.80/79	.27 up
March	12.53/53	12.62/62	.21 up
Total sales for the day	178 lots.		
NY Official Silver	34-3/4	34-3/4	
NY-London Cross Rate	4.03	4.02-1/2	

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE  
(REUTERS SERVICE)

London, Oct. 22.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

Market quiet.

(Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 8

Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924 23

Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924 51

Chartered Bank 62

H.K. &amp; S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.) 62

H.K. &amp; S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.) 67

Chinese Eng. &amp; Mining (bearer) 24 1/2

Chosen Corporation 4 1/2

Pekin Syndicate 2 1/2

S'hai Elec. Constr. Co. 15 1/2

S'hai Waterworks "A" 13 1/2

Union Insurance 20

Gula Kalumpung Rubber 13/9

B.A. Tob. (bearer) 81/3

Mercantile Bank 10 1/2

Dunlop Rubber 29/10

Bristol Aeroplane 9/10 1/2

Imperial Chemical Ind. 27/3

United Steel 19/3

Woolworths 56/3

Maraman Investments 8/10 1/2

Western Holdings 8/9

Sub-Nigel 157/6

Shell Trans. &amp; Trad. (bearer) 35

Nat. Defence Bonds, 3% 10 1/2

London-Midlands-Scot. 13 1/2

Great Western Rail- 32 1/2

way, 3% 25

Nai Bank of India 3%

25

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

## QUOTATION

(REUTERS SERVICE)

OCTOBER 23, 1940.

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Oct. 22	Oct. 22	Oct. 22	Oct. 22
Adams Express	5 1/2	Loew's Inc.	27 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	23 1/2	Loft Incorporated	22 1/2
Allis Chalmers	36	Mack Truck Inc.	27
Aluminum Ltd.	80	Martin, Glen L.	31
Amer. Can.	94 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	27 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	35 1/2	Montgomery Ward	40 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	44 1/2	M'tain City Copper Co.	34
Amer. & Foreign \$7 pf.	14 1/2	National Aviation	10 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	15 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	16	National Distillers	20 1/2
Amer. Radiator	7 1/2	National Lead	17 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	12 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	8
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	4 1/2	National Supply Corp.	6
Amer. Sugar Refining	14 1/2	New York Central	14 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	163 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	44
Amer. Tobacco "B"	73 1/2	N. American Aviation	16 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	9 1/2	North American Co.	20 1/2
Anacosta Copper	23 1/2	Northern Pacific	7
Atchafalca, T. & S. Fe.	17	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	53 1/2
Aviation Corp.	4 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	28 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	16 1/2	Packard Motors	3 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	4 1/2	Pan-American Airways	15 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	10 1/2	Paramount Pictures	9
Barnsdall Oil	8 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	23 1/2
Benoix Aviation	31 1/2	Philadelphia Read. Coal	35 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	82	Phillips Petroleum	31
Bliss & Co.	14 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	32 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	16	Pullman Inc.	25 1/2
Borg-Warner	19	Pure Oil	6 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	21 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	5
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	4 1/2	Reading Company, Com	14 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	31	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	5 1/2
Case, J.I.	55	Republic Aviation Corp.	5 1/2
Celanese	28 1/2	Revere Steel	19
Chesapeake & Ohio	4 1/2	Revere Corp.	11 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	81 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B"	34 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	8	Safeway Stores	43 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	3 1/2	Schenley Distillers	10
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	1 1/2	Sears Roebuck	79
Consolidated Edison	25 1/2	Shell Union Oil	9 1/2
Consolidated Oil	5 1/2	Socomey-Vacuum Oil	7 1/2
Continental Can	39	Southern Pacific	8 1/2
Continental Oil	17 1/2	Southern Ry \$5 pfd.	21 1/2
Copperweld Steel	19 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	32 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	7 1/2	Standard Brands	7
Curtiss Wright "A"	28	Standard Gas & Elec.	11 1/2
Deere & Co.	20 1/2	Standard Oil of California	17 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	17 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	31 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	85 1/2	Stone & Webster	8 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	170 1/2	Studebaker Corp.	8 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	9 1/2	Swift International	18 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	35	Technicolor	8 1/2
Elec. Autolite	37	Texas Corp.	33 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	64	Texas Gulf Sulphur	33
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	65	Timken-Axle	28 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$8 pf.	73 1/2	Trans-America Co.	4 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	40 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	64
Flintkote	16 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	11 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	48 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	73 1/2
Gen. Electric	34 1/2	Union Pacific	81 1/2
Gen. Motors	50	United Aircraft	39 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	15 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	18
Gen. Tire & Rubber	11 1/2	United Corp.	3
Glidden Co.	14 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	2
Goodrich (B.F.)	12 1/2	United Gas Corp.	1 1/2
Goodrich \$5 pf.	57 1/2	United Gas Improvement	11 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	15 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	22 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	14 1/2	U.S. Rubber	20 1/2
Great Northern Ry. pfd.	27 1/2	U.S. Rubber \$8 pfd.	78 1/2
Great Western Sugar	20	U.S. Smelting	61 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	11 1/2	U.S. Steel	62 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	76 1/2	Vanadium	34 1/2
Homestake Mining	47 1/2	Vulcan Aircraft	8 1/2
Int. Nickel	28 1/2	Walworth Co.	5
Inter. Paper & Power	14 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	2 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	2 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	108 1/2
Kennecott Copper	31 1/2	Westward Iron Cor.	30 1/2
Leaky Foundry & Mac.	4 1/2	Chase National Bank	32 1/2
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	43 1/2	National City Bank	27 1/2
Lockheed Aircraft	28 1/2		

## DOW JONES AVERAGE

1940	High	Low	Dow Jones Averages	Oct. 21	High	Low	Close	Change
	162.90	111.84	30 Industrials	131.37	132.44	131.04	131.98	8 1/2 up
	32.67	22.15	20 Rails	29.83	29.35	28.84	29.77	.09 up
	26.45	18.03	20 Utilities	21.94	22.28	21.91	22.07	.12 up
	90.81	82.08	40 Bonds	90.32			90.18	.06 off
	84.07	48.74	11 Commodity Index	55.38			55.71	.33 up
			Business Done	540,000 shares				

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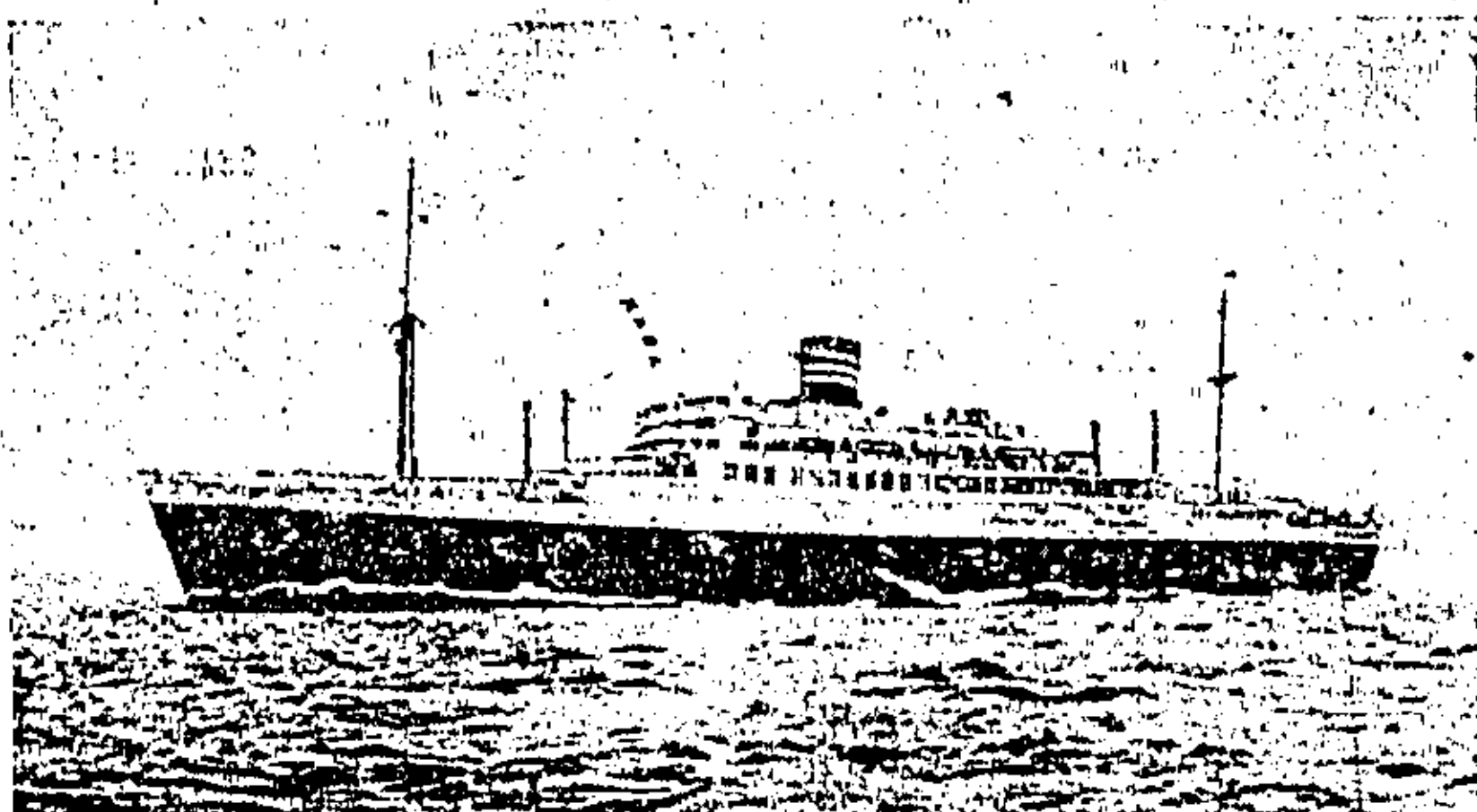
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## DEADLINE OF BRITISH FLEET IN BOMBARDMENT OF CHERBOURG

LONDON, Oct. 13.—I was aboard one of the British warships which bombarded Cherbourg on Thursday night, and I saw the deadline of the British fleet when it goes into action, writes Edmund Allen in the Manila Bulletin.

British warships, participating in the action which caused such havoc that Cherbourg will not be used for a long time, all escaped unscathed.

"I think it was a magnificent party. We just caught the Jerry bending, and gave him hell"—this is how the captain of the warship from which I watched the action described the successful bombardment of Cherbourg—one of the most important German invasion ports.

### HIGH SPIRITS

Before the warships steamed out, the captain addressed his men, informing them where they were going and what they expected to do. The men went wild with cheering, and were in the highest spirits over prospects of action.

The captain raised a roar of laughter when he addressed some new recruits, telling them that "you'll be sorry you joined the navy" as the British units cleared the harbour in a southwest port.

Air raid warnings sounded on the shore, and the flash and thud of guns and bombs could be heard which continued as we swept down the channel, showing that the Nazi raiders were busy over a wide area.

### VISIBILITY GOOD

The moon was brilliant, visibility was good and the sea was smooth, making conditions perfect. Nothing more eventful happened than sighting signs of enemy raucos on the English side of the channel until we approached our target on the French coast.

The French coast was a blaze of light from star shells bursting between us and the shore. They dropped slowly downwards while "flaming onions" of all colours of the rainbow streamed aloft, spreading and falling at all angles.

Finally the order to fire was given, the fire-going sounded and suddenly I was blinded and shaken by the blast of forward guns which shook the bridge on which I was standing. Steaming at about 18 knots, we fired and rapidly discharged 120 rounds in a few minutes. The target was illuminated by a tremendous blaze and the flash of shells could be distinctly seen.

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The shooting was clearly most satisfactory to the British. We started firing at zero hour and ceased after a few minutes. I was astounded by the fact that we had completed shooting over 15 minutes and were steaming for home before the first flashes from shore guns were seen. It seemed as if the Germans were taken completely by surprise, although searchlights still swept the sky and "flaming onions" soared upward in an inferno of fire.

As I watched the shore batteries flashing, I wondered where and when the shells would arrive. They fell everywhere, sometimes so near I could hear their rush as they pumped into the sea and exploded. None of them, how-

ever, struck near enough to do harm. The Germans never really got the range.

Then a smoke screen poured from the smoke stacks of our leader, after which our warship did likewise. Within a few seconds we had changed our course and were dodging and zig-zagging through the dense fumes.

The Germans fired another battery of three guns which pursued us 15 miles out to sea, but most of the shots fell astern and soon we were far out of range. The first rays of the morning sun broke as we neared the English coast.

One lieutenant asked my opinion of the action.

"I thought it was fine—now that it's all over," I replied to his question. The operation was so well organised and carried out so perfectly that it could almost have been done without a single signal.

## MAIL ROUTED THROUGH BURMA ROAD

KUNMING, Oct. 23 (Central).—The Chinese Directorate-General of Posts is reported to have made arrangements with the British authorities for routing incoming and outgoing mails through the Burma Road. Lashio, the Yunnan-Burma border town, will be the postal junction.

The Chinese Directorate-General of Posts is sending delegates to Rangoon to establish an office there and is instructing the Yunnan Post Office to establish branch offices at Fuming, Mashupo, Sitsui and Poyi to facilitate frontier postal service.

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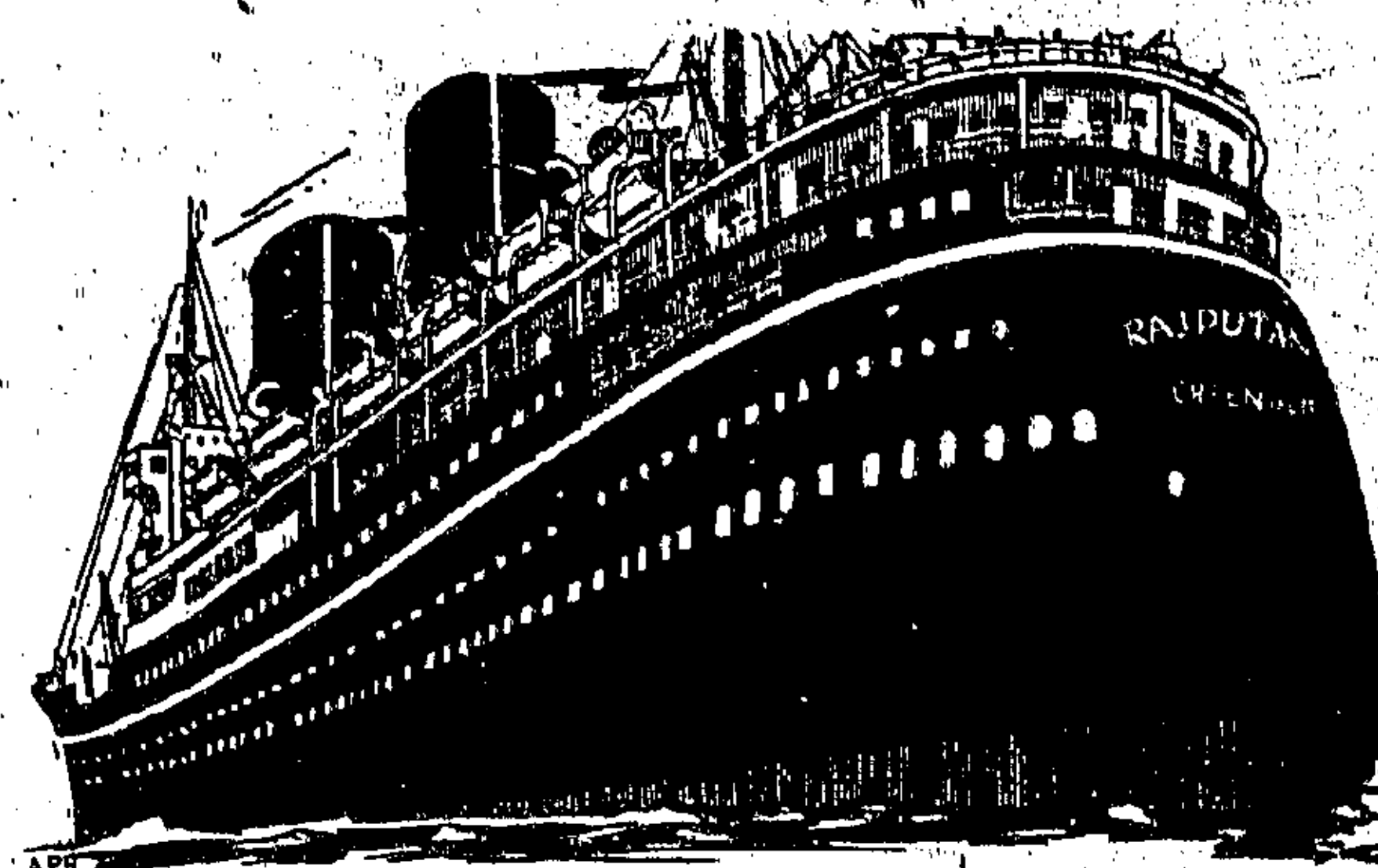
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## JAPANESE VESSEL RUNS AGROUND

TOKYO, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The Karachi Maru (5,860 tons), of the Yamamoto Steamship Co., ran aground early this morning 200 metres off Esudori beach, off western Solor, in south Saghali.

No damage was done to the vessel and the passengers are safe, it is reported.

It is learned that following the cutting of the postal route through French Indo-China, as a result of Japanese landing, Chinese mails delayed in the French Colony have been brought into China in haste.



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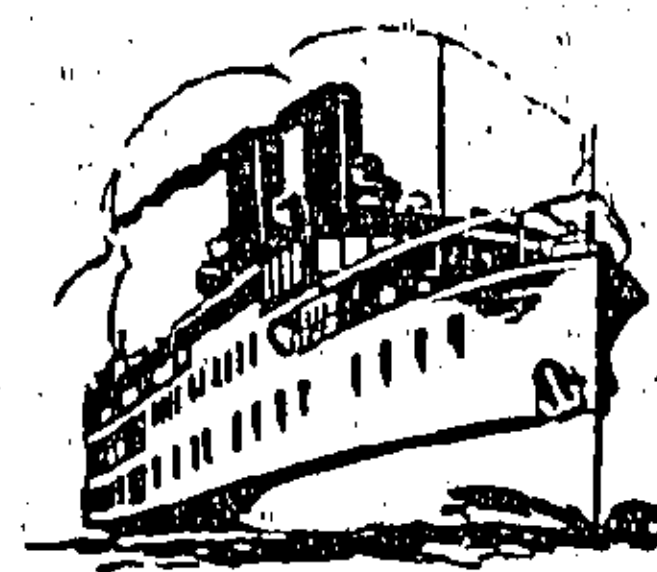
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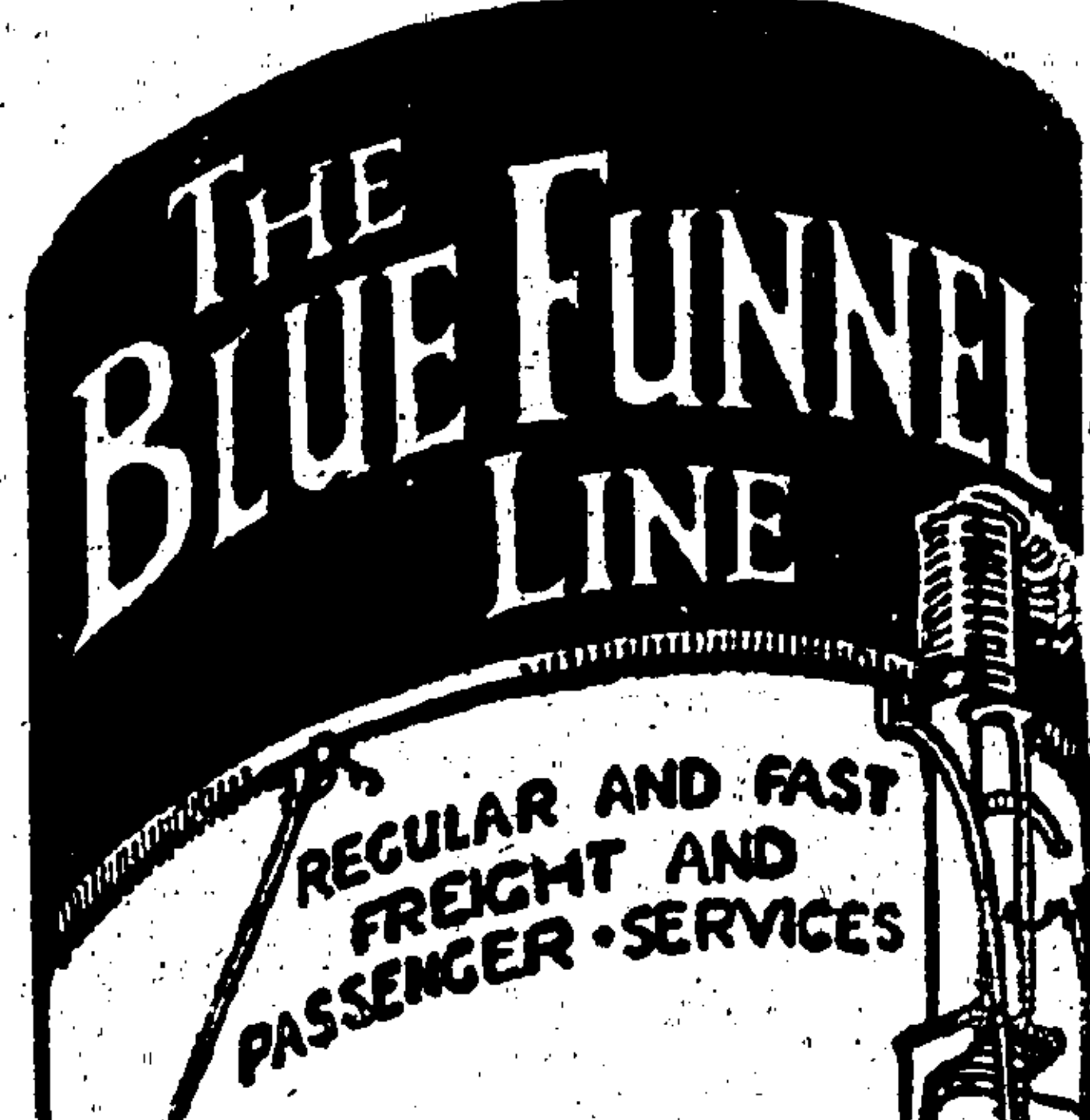
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## CLUB "A" LOSE AT RUGGER

### DETERMINED NAVY ATTACK

The Club "A" had themselves to blame for their rugger defeat when they met the Navy "A" on the Club ground yesterday for, though the Navy played a better game, it was largely due to fumbling and hesitancy of the Club players that permitted their opponents run out winners by 11 points to 3.

The determined attack of the Navy broke through the Club's defence lines and allowed Carter to go over for a try, which he failed to convert, within the first ten minutes. Before half-time, McGill scored another touchdown for the Navy which, however, Carter was unable to convert.

On resumption, the Navy increased their lead by a try (by Carter) which Wilson converted. Club made a splendid rally which resulted in a try for Stewart.

The following were the teams: CLUB "A"—Rogers, P. B. Wilson, D. H. Stewart, C. F. Needham, H. van Leeuwen, T. O. Morgan, E. J. D. Clemo, C. M. Stark, R. C. Gairdner, R. Heasman, A. G. Dalziel, R. M. King, J. Moodie, R. G. Castleton, W. Stoker.

NAVY "A"—Lt. Moreton, Lt. McGill, Tel. Faulkner, P. O. Wilson, Lt. Carter, Lt. Sig. Inglis, Lt. Richards, Lt. Beattie, A. B. Longmire, L. S. Jones, O. S. Taylor, Cdt. Thornhill, Lt.-Cdr. Clark.

## H.K. UNIVERSITY BADMINTON CLUB MEETING

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong University Badminton Club was held last Monday when Mr. P. K. Hooi was re-elected Chairman and Mr. S. L. Yong was elected Captain of the team for the coming season.

The following other officers were elected: Hon. Secretary, H. F. Chew; Assistant Hon. Sec. Mr. T. Chin; Vice-Captain, C. K. Cheung; Committee, K. S. Chan, C. W. Hooi, P. S. Sun, T. B. Teoh and K. B. Law.

## BRITISH EVACUATION OF JAP. AREAS

### Shanghai Receives News Calmly

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter) Any British subjects in Japan whose duties do not entail their staying in the country, would obviously be well advised to leave "while the going is good" although there has been no question of Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador to Tokyo, putting into effect his emergency scheme for evacuation, said well-informed quarters here yesterday.

There has been no change in the immediate situation and British subjects who have businesses, are carrying on to the best of their ability.

NO GENERAL EXODUS  
SHANGHAI, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—The news that the British authorities are advising Britons who have no special reason for staying in Japanese occupied areas of China, to leave, has been received calmly.

No general exodus is expected unless more definite instructions are forthcoming.

U. S. EVACUEES  
Only about 80 Americans in the Tientsin area have indicated their wish to evacuate within the next few months.

There are about 1,700 United States nationals resident in the Tientsin area.

## POLITICAL UNITY IN AUSTRALIA

CANBERRA, Oct. 23 (Reuter)—An important step for the realisation of Party political unity in Australia for the prosecution of the war was made by the conference of Party managers which has accepted the Labour Party proposal for the formation of an Australian War Council.

Labour members of the Council will comprise three from the official Labour Party and one from the non-Communist Labour Party.

## INCREASE IN VISIBLE TRADE OF COLONY

### OFFICIAL FIGURES FOR FIRST NINE MONTHS OF YEAR

According to an official report released by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, the combined values of imports and exports of merchandise during the first nine months of 1940 totalled \$1,047.5 millions (£64.8 millions) as compared with \$846.6 millions (£51.9 millions) in the first nine months of 1939, and \$874.2 millions (£54.0 millions) in the first nine months of 1938.

In terms of local currency the total visible trade of the Colony increased by 23.7 per cent. in the first nine months of 1940 as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 19.8 per cent. as compared with the first nine months of 1938.

In terms of sterling the total visible trade of the Colony increased by 24.9 per cent. in the first nine months of 1940 as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 20 per cent. as compared with the first nine months of 1938.

Imports of merchandise amounted to \$577.8 millions (£35.7 millions) in the first nine months of 1940 as compared with \$443.7 millions (£27.2 millions) in the first nine months of 1939, and \$477.6 millions (£29.5 millions) in the first nine months of 1938; whilst exports amounted to \$469.9 millions (£29.1 millions), \$402.9 millions (£24.7 millions) and \$396.6 millions (£24.5 millions) respectively.

In terms of Hongkong currency imports of merchandise increased by 30.2 per cent. as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 20.9 per cent. as compared with the first nine months of 1938; whilst exports increased by 18.6 per cent. as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 18.5 per cent. as compared with the first nine months of 1938.

In terms of sterling values imports of merchandise increased by 31.3 per cent. as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 21.0 per cent. as compared with the first nine months of 1938; whilst exports increased by 17.8 per cent. as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 18.8 per cent. as compared with the first nine months of 1938.

QUARTERLY FIGURES  
The following table shows the quarterly values of imports and exports of merchandise (in \$'s and £'s millions) for the years 1939, 1938 and 1940:

	1939	1938	1940
1st Quarter	162.1	125.5	108.3
2nd Quarter	10.0	7.8	12.2
3rd Quarter	180.1	175.5	221.3
4th Quarter	11.1	10.7	13.7
	135.4	142.7	158.0
	8.4	8.7	9.8
	140.5	150.5	
	8.7	9.3	
	618.1	594.2	
	38.2	36.5	
EXPORTS	1939	1938	1940
1st Quarter	135.4	120.5	152.2
2nd Quarter	8.4	7.4	8.4
3rd Quarter	134.5	145.5	174.6
4th Quarter	8.3	9.2	10.8
	128.7	132.9	143.0
	7.8	8.1	8.9
	115.3	130.5	
	7.1	8.1	
	511.9	533.4	
	31.6	32.5	

## BRITISH MILITARY MISSION TO CHINA UNNECESSARY

CHUNGKING, Oct. 22 (Reuter)—There is no information here concerning the report that Britain is sending a military mission to China.

Well-informed quarters are inclined to the belief that such a mission is unnecessary at the present juncture as they are convinced that Japan is unlikely to take drastic action in the near future either against Britain or the United States in the Far East.

Chinese circles are of the opinion that Japan will probably confine her activities at present to strengthening her position in Indo-China.

Despite her threats, Japan for economic if not other reasons, is not in a position to wage a war in the Pacific against America or Britain.

A British military mission to China would be necessary in the event of a determined Japanese drive towards Burma for an attack on Singapore.

## LEAGUE TENNIS

In the "B" Division of the Tennis League yesterday, South China A.A. beat H.K.P.S.A. by 7½ sets to 1½ at King's Park.

The match between Kowloon Fong G.C.A. and Army T.C. was not played.

## FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 24th OCTOBER, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

Christmas and New Year cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office as the rate for printed matter, i.e. 5 cents per 2 ounces. Envelopes must not be closed.

Parcel post service to Canton is temporarily suspended.

The Imperial Airways Service between Hongkong and Bangkok is temporarily suspended. Air mail correspondence will be accepted at the existing rates of postage and will be forwarded by the first opportunity by steamer to Singapore to connect with the east and west bound air services.

An air mail service providing a connection with British Overseas Airways at Rangoon will be available during the period of suspension of the Hongkong-Bangkok Service. The postage rates for all destinations will be \$1.50 per ½ oz. for letters and \$0.75 each for postcards. Mail for this service should be superscribed "Via Rangoon" and bear the usual blue air mail label.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

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Canada, U.S.A., Japan, and Shanghai — (Vancouver B. C. date, 5th October).	24th Oct.
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U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai. (San Francisco date, 4th October).	26th Oct.
Java and Manila	26th Oct.
London and Straits	26th Oct.
Calcutta and Straits	27th Oct.
London and Straits	27th Oct.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways" Direct Service, San Francisco date 18th October.	28th Oct.
U. S. A. and Manila — (San Francisco date, 5th October).	28th Oct.
London and Straits	28th Oct.
U. S. A. and Manila — (Seattle date, 30th Sept.).	29th Oct.
London and Straits	30th Oct.
Java and Manila	30th Oct.
Australia and Manila	1st Nov.
Swatow	2nd Nov.
Australia and Manila	7th Nov.
London and Straits	8th Nov.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai — (San Francisco date 19th October).	8th Nov.
Sandakan	10th Nov.
Calcutta and Straits	11th Nov.

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